

Lesson 5: Discovering Where Change Is Needed

Primary Objectives:

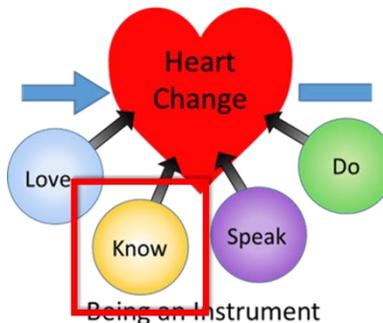
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2. Apply "knowing" strategies to a real-life scenario.
3. Interact with distorted views that reside in the heart.

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Laid the groundwork for building relationships in which God's work with thrive.

Examined the 4 elements of love identified by Paul Tripp.

2. Apply "knowing" strategies to a real-life scenario.



2.1. Listen to the teacher share about a recent experience and identify both the negative conduct and negative outcomes.

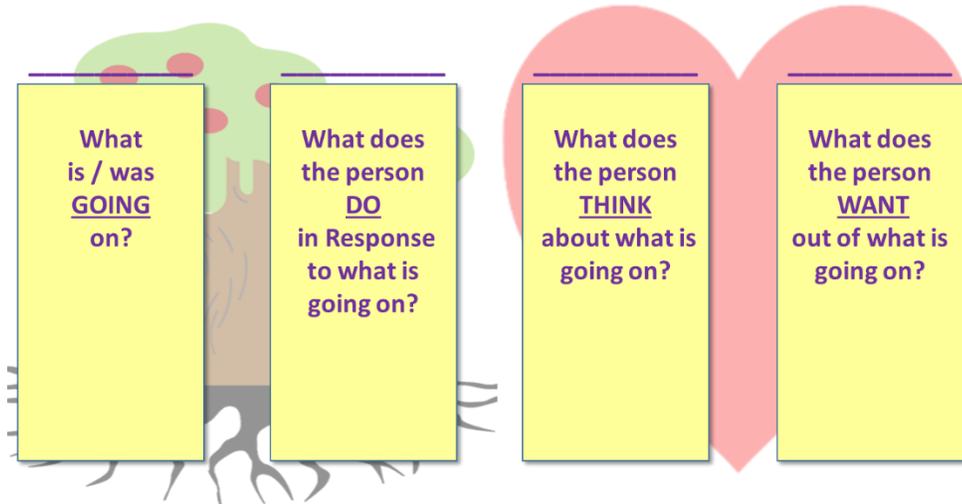
Scenario:

Negative conduct / outcomes:

2.2. Learn to ask good questions.

If the goal is to trace the connection between the fruit of negative conduct and the controlling root desires that cause it, what are some characteristics of good questions that will help us discover that?

1. Good questions are _____
2. Good questions are either _____
3. Good questions uncover insight into four areas:



2.3. Articulate good questions that will reveal the THOUGHTS in connection with the shared scenario. (What questions will uncover what the teacher think about what is going on?)

Examples:

Discovered Answer:

2.4. Identify potential desires (motives) responsible for producing the negative outcome. (WHY do teachers at times shove content down people's throats?)

2.5. Share how you would go about determining which of the potential desires are the actual controlling root desires (motives).

Examples:

Discovered Answer:

3. Interact with distorted views that reside in the heart.

3.1. Read Numbers 11:1-23 and note places that express a distorted view of reality.

¹ And the people complained in the hearing of the Lord about their misfortunes, and when the Lord heard it, his anger was kindled, and the fire of the Lord burned among them and consumed some outlying parts of the camp. ² Then the people cried out to Moses, and Moses prayed to the Lord, and the fire died down. ³ So the name of that place was called Taberah, because the fire of the Lord burned among them.

⁴ Now the rabble that was among them had a strong craving. And the people of Israel also wept again and said, "Oh that we had meat to eat! ⁵ We remember the fish we ate in Egypt that cost nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic. ⁶ But now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at."

⁷ Now the manna was like coriander seed, and its appearance like that of bdellium. ⁸ The people went about and gathered it and ground it in handmills or beat it in mortars and boiled it in pots and made cakes of it. And the taste of it was like the taste of cakes baked with oil. ⁹ When the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell with it.

¹⁰ Moses heard the people weeping throughout their clans, everyone at the door of his tent. And the anger of the Lord blazed hotly, and Moses was displeased. ¹¹ Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you dealt ill with your servant? And why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? ¹² Did I conceive all this people? Did I give them birth, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a nursing child,' to the land that you swore to give their fathers? ¹³ Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they weep before me and say, 'Give us meat, that we may eat.' ¹⁴ I am not able to carry all this people alone; the burden is too heavy for me. ¹⁵ If you will treat me like this, kill me at once, if I find favor in your sight, that I may not see my wretchedness."

¹⁶ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them, and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. ¹⁷ And I will come down and talk with you there. And I will take some of the Spirit that is on you and put it on them, and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, so that you may not bear it yourself alone. ¹⁸ And say to the people, 'Consecrate yourselves for tomorrow, and you shall eat meat, for you have wept in the hearing of the Lord, saying, "Who will give us meat to eat? For it was better for us in Egypt." Therefore the Lord will give you meat, and you shall eat. ¹⁹ You shall not eat just one day, or two days, or five days, or ten days, or twenty days, ²⁰ but a whole month, until it comes out at your

nostrils and becomes loathsome to you, because you have rejected the Lord who is among you and have wept before him, saying, "Why did we come out of Egypt?" ' ' ' 21 But Moses said, "The people among whom I am number six hundred thousand on foot, and you have said, 'I will give them meat, that they may eat a whole month!' 22 Shall flocks and herds be slaughtered for them, and be enough for them? Or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, and be enough for them?" 23 And the Lord said to Moses, "Is the Lord's hand shortened? Now you shall see whether my word will come true for you or not."

3.2. Summarize how each of the following distortions are apparent in the passage:

1. Distorted view of the PAST (vs 4-5):

2. Distorted view of the PRESENT (vs 6-9):

3. Distorted view of SELF (vs 10-15):

4. Distorted view of GOD (vs 18-23):

5. Distorted view of the FUTURE:

Next Week: Speaking Truth & Applying Change