



Team Playbook



Empowering Couples for Winning Marriages A MarriageTeam E-publication - March, 2011
Celebrating 5 years in March 2011!

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Talk Radio Show
MarriageTeam LIVE
 KPAM 860
 Sunday 5-6 PM



Prayer Requests



Pray for the couples currently being coached.

Pray that our awareness efforts will be blessed.

Pray for coaches who are serving others - that they might receive wisdom.

Pray for a successful May 5th Radiothon.

A Pebble In Their Shoe



Have you ever had the feeling there's something you can't shake? An emotion or an issue that haunts you? You know it's there; you just can't put your finger on it? Evidence of it creeps into your relationship with your spouse. There's that old familiar exchange of expression, confusion, frustration and then silence. No argument ensued, but then, there wasn't any resolution either. You drift apart, year after year, repeating the same song and dance - like a broken record until one day the needle is worn out and you are hardly communicating anymore. Sure, you exchange words, but their meaning is lost as soon as you say them. It's like a marathon runner who's forgotten how to pace themselves and all their training seems to do them little good - as bad as a pebble in their shoe.

Cari and Steven was just such a couple. Married for less...([click here](#) to read the rest of the story)...

News You Can Use

Helping you eliminate the impact of divorce
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*If you've ever felt helpless watching a family fall apart, **and wish you could have helped**, this event will equip you to **make a difference!***



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The Fish

DATE: Tuesday, April 19th
TIME: 12 pm - 1 pm
LOCATION: Heathman Lodge, Vancouver, Washington
ADMISSION IS FREE (but seating is limited)
[Register Here, e-mail](#) or call 360-450-3181.
RSVP required

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 A non-obligatory offering will be taken to help support MarriageTeam's work in Oregon & SW Washington

Provides matching funds for upcoming Radiothon
 May 5th, 104.1 FM The FISH

Be Part of History!

Volunteer to answer phones at MarriageTeam's **FIRST** annual
R-A-D-I-O-T-H-O-N

It is exciting, lively and a ton of fun.

- When:** Thursday, May 5th 6am - 6pm
- What:** We need you for a 2-hour shift (or more if you wish)
- How:** Simply answer donor calls when they come in - no sales calls!
- Why:** Raise awareness and funds for MarriageTeam

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Watch one [wife's testimony](#) shared with a group of couples who were training to be coaches. Coaches are making a difference and you can learn how to be a coach and achieve similar results just like they have. [Contact us](#) today.

Marriage Myths

Myth:
 Marriage is an outdated tradition, an 'old fashioned' institution.

Truth: The US Census reports that 90% of adults in America will get married at least once (that doesn't seem like an outdated tradition to us).

Question of the Month



What YOU can do to save marriages!

- **We still need a bookkeeper! We need someone to volunteer their services for only 5-6 hours per MONTH. [Click here](#) if you can help!**
- **Write a story for this e-publication. Our new e-newsletter has been designed with you in mind. If you'd like to share your story, [click here](#) to find out more!**

True or False. Many of the couples we coach are on the doorstep of divorce?

Of those couples, the majority find the answers in Marriage Coaching they need to avoid divorce?



If you know the answer, [click here](#) to post it to our **FACEBOOK PAGE**.

We'll post this edition's answer in next months publication.



We are also on **Twitter**, if you prefer that. Find us at:

www.twitter.com/MarriageTeam

· **If you were helped by MarriageTeam, consider becoming a coach! You don't need to have the 'perfect marriage' to help others in need! The need is great, our community needs those willing to step out in faith!**

· **If every coach couple encouraged another couple to be a Marriage Coach, we'd continue to double our impact and save more marriages! For coach training times and locations, [click here](#).**



Spring Is the Season for Romance

Wait, did I just see the Sun? The weather is beginning to change here in the Northwest - so it's time to put on your favorite galoshes and venture outdoors. Take your sweetie and head to an undiscovered park close by. There are MANY great parks in your area that are just waiting for you to stroll through. Take an umbrella if necessary, a blanket to keep warm, and a Thermos of your favorite hot drink. Enjoy the sights and sounds as you take time to stop and enjoy God's blessings - both physically in front of you in the form of trees, moving water, and green grass, and also in the beauty experienced from a nurtured God-centered relationship.

Make it Simple - But Make it Count. Before your next planned outing together, pick up a few of the following items to WOW your partner.

- Their favorite sweet treat. What do they hide in their secret candy drawer - M'n'M's, Skittles? Grab their favorite candy and maybe yours too.
- A book, magazine, or CD they'd love to have but won't pick up themselves.
- Locate a picture of the two of you together. - something they can hold in their hands and keep with them. Think outside the box for little (and even inexpensive) items that will bring a smile to their face. Now you'll have a place to start out the conversation - especially if the sweet treat you chose isn't exactly their favorite after all!

Keeping It Cheap, but Fun. Here's a cheap one for those with children: Enjoy dinner with the kids and share some lively conversations about the day but save eating for you and your spouse until after the kids head off to bed. Dim the lights, light

a few candles, and whisper over your late night meal together. I bet even macaroni and cheese and hotdogs will seem romantic in this setting!

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