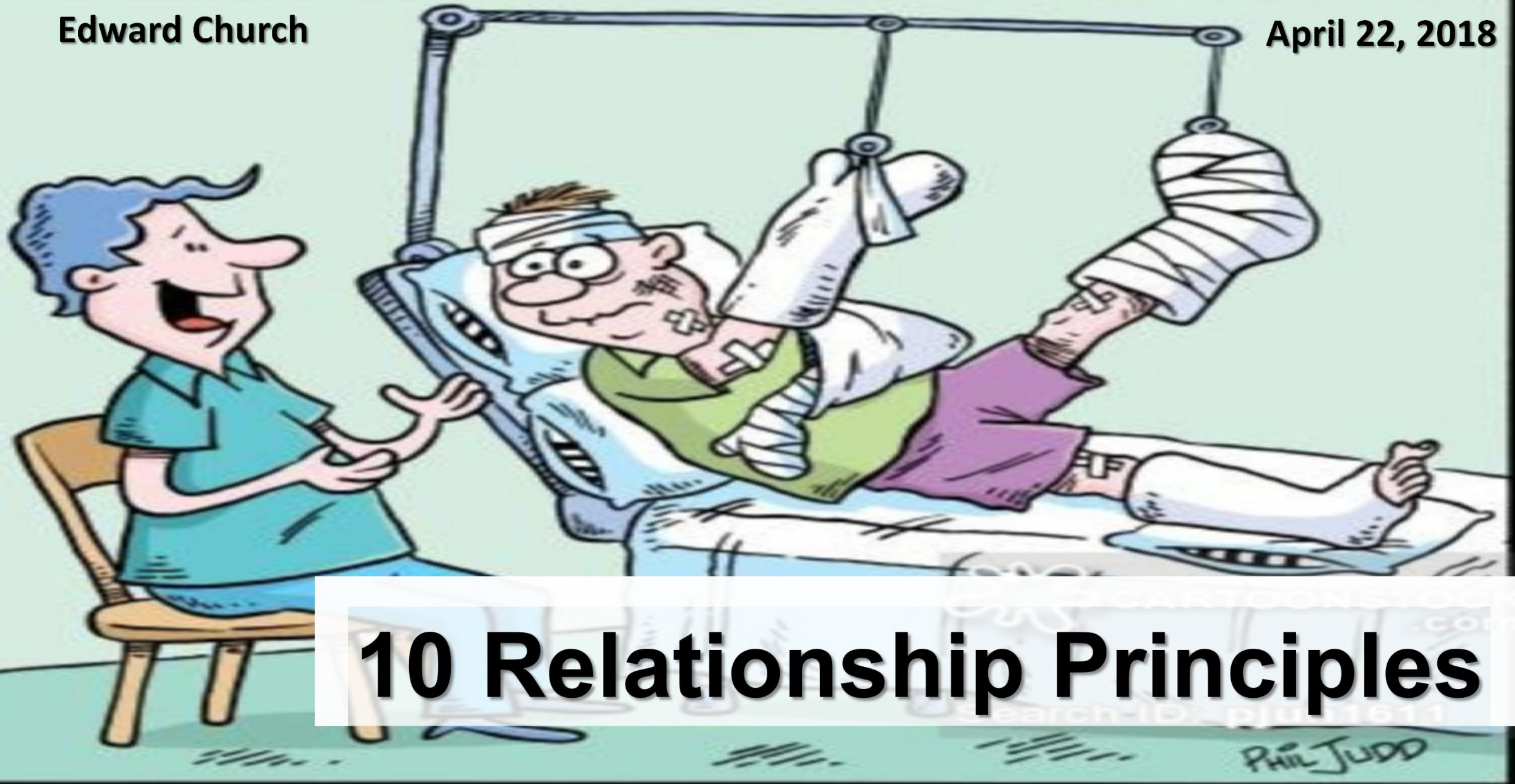


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# 10 Relationship Principles

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How Would You Like...

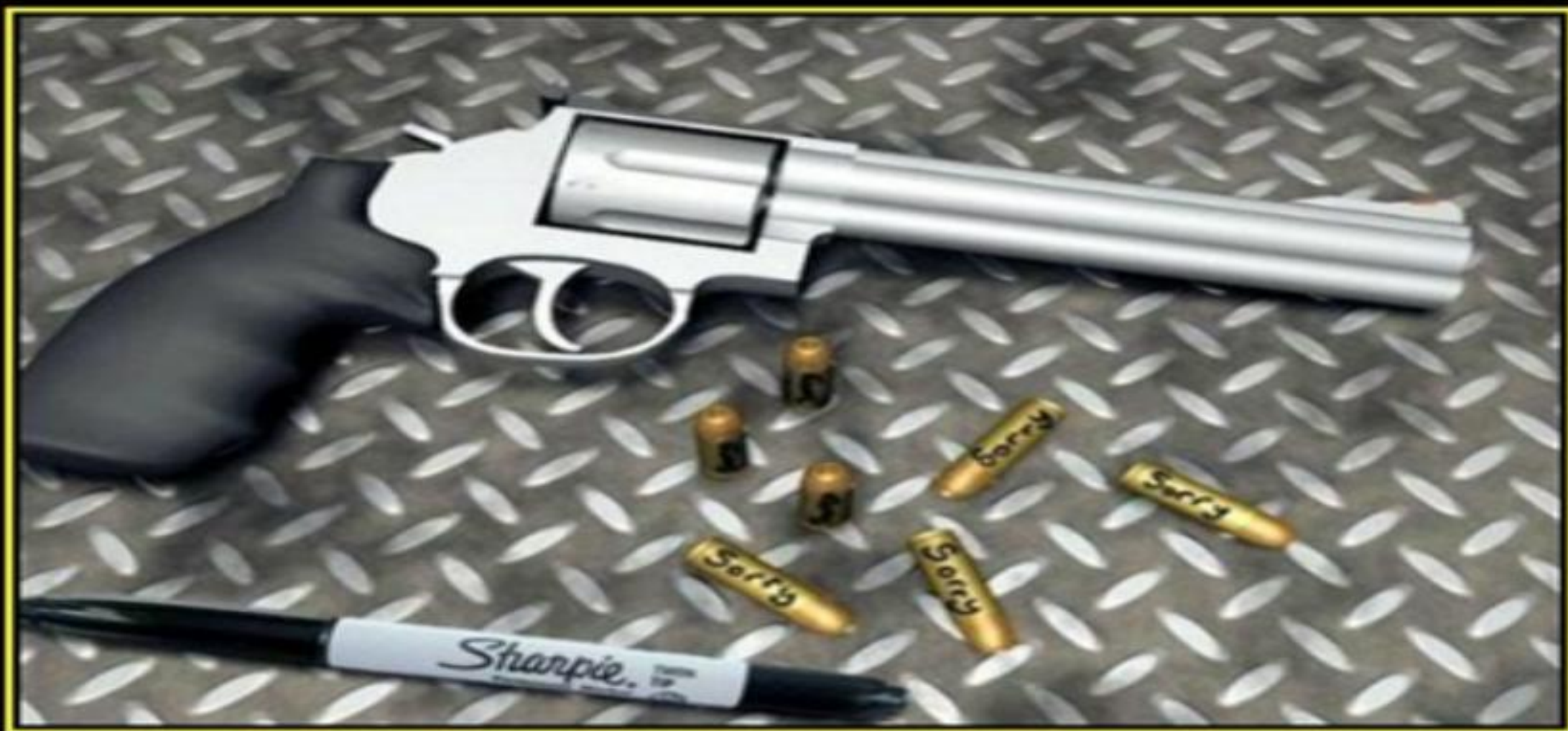
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Positive Difference

...In Any and All Relationships?





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It's how you say it.

# Communication Can Be...

## Negative

- Discouraging- *cannibal*
- Distrust- *caution*
- Disharmony- *can't com*
- Disruption- *cease com*

## Positive

- Encouragement
- Trust
- Harmony
- Connection

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# Principle #1

*Prov 23:7, “for as he thinketh in his heart, so is he....”*



# Principle #1

## **We See People Through Our Own Lens.**

The Way You View Yourself / Life Shapes...

... How You See/ Relate To Others.

- **Your Self-Awareness-** *where am I*
- **Self-Esteem-** *who am I*
- **Self-Worth-** *Am I good enough*

**... Establish the Foundation of All Your Relationships.**

- Whether you see the cup as half full or half empty will transfer

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## Principle #2

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. <sup>2</sup> And though I have *the gift of* prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing **1 Cor 13**



# Principle #2

**People Don't Care How Much You Know...**

**...Till They Know How Much You Care.**

- **Caring About People Isn't Automatic.**
- **Not Everyone Cares.**
- **You Can't Learn to Care, It's Not a Skill..**

**...But You Can Decide to Care.**

**You Can Ask God to Help You Become More Caring.**

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## **Principle #3**

Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry. **James 1:19**

# Principle #3

## Learn to Listen From the Heart

- One of the Greatest Gifts you can give someone is to truly listen.
  - You Can Listen to Understand or to Respond
  - Listening to Understand Communicates Value
  - It Requires Listening From the Heart
  - It Makes a Soul Level Connection

You Communicate Empathy, Interest and a Desire to be Helpful Far More By Listening than Merely By Your Words.

slow to become angry. James 1:19



## **Principle #4**

bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things,  
endures all things - **1 Corinthians 13:7**

# **Principle #4**

**Believing the Best in People Usually Brings Out Best of People**

- **Even a Broken Clock is Right Twice a Day**
- **What You Look For You Will Find**

**We Are All Flawed and Imperfect**

**...But When Someone Calls Out the Best In Us**

**...We Often Rise to that Higher Standard**

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# Principle #5

## Ephesians 4:31-32 Amplified Bible (AMP)

<sup>31</sup>Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor [perpetual animosity, resentment, strife, fault-finding] and slander be put away from you, along with every kind of malice [all spitefulness, verbal abuse, malevolence]. <sup>32</sup>Be kind *and* helpful to one another, tender-hearted [compassionate, understanding], forgiving one another [readily and freely], just as God in Christ also forgave [a](#) you.



# Principle #5

## Hurting People Hurt People

Ephesians 4:31-32

- **When the Response Is Greater Than the Issue at Hand**  
...The Real Issue Is Always About Something Else.

- **We Need to Learn How to Get to the Real Issue**

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- **People Who Are Hurting Don't Want To Hurt People, But ..**  
...It's Like a Lion With a Thorn In His Paw, He Can't Help It.

- **If We Can Help People Take the Thorn Out...**

...We Can Help Them Live Better.

...Your Life Becomes Better Too.



# The Golden Rule

Do unto others  
as you would have them  
do unto you.