



# "Learning the Language of Love: Messages From the Past"

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### Our Past is Important Because ....

Our past is our experience

Our experience becomes our character

The way we experience that experience is part of our character

### What We Have Experienced Can Still Affect Us in the Present

### God Made Us So That Our Past Will Affect Our Future

We Are Symbolic Creatures

#### **Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome**

- An experience larger than our brain can handle
- We all have these experiences
- We develop ways of coping to protect ourselves

### **Messages From the Past**

- Withdrawing
- Aggressive
- Perfectionistic
- Explosive
- Domineering
- Internal handling of your own feelings

Good Communication Always Begins with the Ability to Experience Inside Yourself What You Want to Communicate

### The Basic Way to Prevent Fights

Use "I" Statements: I

### **The 4 Predictors of Divorce**

- 1. Defensiveness
- 2. Contempt
- 3. Criticism
- 4. Unplugging

### What Do We Take Away From This?

Make a New Past!

### Next Week on "Solutions"

### "Maximum Success For Life: **Dare To Dream**"

### **Resources:**

### **BOOKS:**

### **Rescue Your Love Life**

By Drs. Henry Cloud and John Townsend www.integritypublishers.com

### **How People Grow**

By Drs. Henry Cloud and John Townsend www.zondervan.com

#### 9 Things You Simply Must Do By Dr. Henry Cloud

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