

Marriage in Today's World - 71:30 (usually 43:30) Summary of Changes to the CPO O&M in order to conduct a 3RE (Restore, Rekindle, Renew Enrichment)

For a Worldwide Marriage Encounter 3RE, a number of sections have been added to the usual O&M for this talk.

In the Warm welcome and review, the Lay couple divides up a warm welcome, speedy review of nuts and bolts, holding questions for a few minutes, timing points, etc. and a quick review of the highlights and progress of the last session. Points to include could be:

- we started our climb
- we did an exercise to help us determine our Dominant Personality Style and looked at our behaviors and how they affect our relationship
- we shared with you how our self-doubts and superior attitudes affect our relationship
- we ended by seeing how God created us good, lovable and unique and how we all had a choice to make in accepting God's love
- we invited them to bring in a wedding photo - consider how these can be shared

Section II is the every-session Question & Answer time. Clergy led it last time, so Lay can lead answering questions and asking general questions like:

- How has your week gone?
- What new things have you learned?
- What questions do you have?

The Introduction provides an encouraging transition into the current session, suggesting that climbs of any kind can yield sore muscles. The temptation is to sit and wait, but the reality is that we will feel better if we keep trekking. The grades may get steeper ahead, but, with a better sense of who we are as individuals, reinforced with a better understanding of God's unconditional love, great tools, and two weeks of practice with dialogue, we should be ready. If there is a buddy prayer couple, mention that too, and include an opening prayer if desired.

One major difference is the addition of another sample dialogue, although when WWME piloted the 3RE Weekends, they recognized that flexibility was needed here. Where the couples seem to be dialoguing well and understanding the process (based on their questions), the presenters might select to omit this. However, if the presenters decide to include here, this sample dialogue has simply been "borrowed" from the traditional CPO's Impact of Dialogue, done by the Clergy couple. No further mentality is included here, as it is clearly given in the CPO. As usual, we include an explanation of how it is possible to write a love letter and talk about difficult-to-share feelings in order to benefit our relationship. Another change is that the dialogue process is not reviewed here, as it was done in the previous session.

The same suggested wording as the usual set up of dialogue can be used. You might consider including a pray and/or a concluding song like Steve & Annie Chapman's "The Ships are Burning." It seems most usual for this presentation to be tied to the Listening so there is no Wrap up or motivation at the end, but instead a break is suggested.

NOTE: Last session you may have invited the couples to bring wedding photo, so consider how and when to display/share these this session.