

Impact of Dialogue in Our Daily Lives - 58:30
Outline Only - Common Protestant Outline

I. Introduction, optional opening prayer and announcements
(LH or LW: 2:00)

- A. Morning devotions and closing service**
- B. Wake-up routine**

II. Presenting team points out how dialogue has been the key to the couples' communication and shares what it has meant to them in their own daily lives (8:00)

- A. Key to couples' communication today (CL or CS: 0:15)**
- B. Sharing what daily dialogue means (CL or CS and LH or LW: 1:00 each)**
- C. Invitation to daily dialogue (LH & LW: 5:45 for C 1-3)**
 - 1. WEDS process**
 - 2. How you use the WEDS process**
 - 3. Other things they should know**

III. Share a sample dialogue on a feeling in an area that is difficult for you to talk about (CL & CS: 10:00 Max)

IV. Question and answer session (LH & LW and CL & CS: 10:00 Max)

V. Cana Passage – John 2:1-11 (CL & CS: 5:00)

- A. Set the scene for the Cana Passage**
- B. Read John 2:1-11**
- C. Comment on the passage**

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VI. Open sharing (LH and/or LW 16:30 Max, including 10:00 open sharing)

Questions: As a result of our time together during this Marriage Encounter experience, what do I most appreciate about you? What is something meaningful that is happening in our relationship because of our dialogues?

- A. Write their answers in their Workbooks** (1:00)
- B. Share what they have written quietly with each other** (1:00)
- C. Invite the couples to share one or both of their answers with the larger group** (1:30 setup; 10:00 open sharing)

VII. Explain open-ended dialogue and how to use this time (LH or LW: 3:00)

VIII. Motivation (LH and LW: 4:00)

- A. Motivate the couples to use this time to dialogue** (2:00)
- B. Let the couples know that the presenters will be available later for specific questions** (1:00)
- C. Closing prayer and question** (1:00)
 - 1. Closing prayer**
 - 2. Giving initial dialogue question for open-ended dialogue**

Question:

What do we most need to dialogue about now to grow in our relationship? How do I feel about that?

Writing time: 10 minutes

Dialogue time: Open-ended

Wives stay in the conference room to write (recommended).