

Harvest Baptist Church
Rules of Communication
Ephesians 4:25-32

I. Be honest (v. 25).

II. Keep current (vv. 26-27).

III. Attack the problem, not the person (vv. 29, 30; Eph. 4:15).

IV. Act, don't react (vv. 31-32).

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Six questions to ask before bringing up a problem:

1. Do I have the facts right?
Proverbs 18:13, He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

2. Should love hide it? Is it sinful? Is it hindering growth?
1 Peter 4:8, And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

3. Is my timing right?
Proverbs 15:23b, And a word spoken in due season, how good is it!

4. Is my attitude right? Am I trying to help the other person?
Ephesians 4:15, But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

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6. Have I asked for God's help (this is to be done along the entire process)?
Proverbs 3:5b, And lean not unto thine own understanding.