

**Contrarian Commandments
for A Good Marriage
(Or any other relationship that counts)
with Rabbi Mordecai Finley, Ph.D.**

All of us have fault lines in our relationships with others. When there is friction in a relationship that really matters to us, we know that we want it be better, but are not quite sure how to get there.

Often times going to counseling with the person with whom we have the friction does not help. It can feel as if you continuously present something to a referee, which if resolved is then replaced by yet something else that gets in the way of your relationship improving. People begin to realize that there will always be a “thing”, and look towards another path to make things better.

Rabbi Finley has been teaching Spiritual Formation and Moral Psychology for many years, and has developed a teaching specifically directed to marriage or any other interpersonal relationship that counts (especially relationships with teenagers). He is known throughout the community for teaching very serious subject matters in an enjoyable way. Hence, “Contrarian Commandments for A Good Marriage” (or any other relationship that counts).

Here are the commandments to be discussed:

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| 1. Worry | 2. Be sad |
| 3. Do not express your feelings honestly | 4. Do not become close |
| 5. Do not listen to your spouse (teenager, parent) | 6. Do not talk things through |
| 7. Tame your own dog. | 8. The sane one has greater responsibility |
| 9. Your life is not about you | 10. (This commandment revealed only at the end of course) |

Those who study with Rabbi Finley report that nearly every relationship becomes better when at least one of the persons involved masters these commandments. Come and enjoy the learning!

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