

PASTOR'S LESSON TO LIVE BY

RELATIONSHIP MELT-DOWNS

At best **Relationships** are extremely fragile and difficult to maintain. It is impossible to find accurate secular books or research material on the relationship subject. Especially lacking in accuracy is material concerning **Relationship Melt-Downs**. I believe the reason for the factual research deficit is due to the complexity of the innumerable independent human personalities. God created **Man** as an **independent** thinking being - **One of a Kind - Independent** - from all other creations. The only exception being man's total dependence on God Only. To create, means to make something from nothing. So God **created man** from nothing in His own image and man became **Something or Somebody**. Then, God saw that it was not good for man to be **Somebody Alone**. So He created Relationships and gave man a book called the Holy Bible, containing the rules for maintaining individual Relationships as independent thinking and acting beings. Within the pages of that Book is revealed the major cause factor of "**Relationship-Melt-Downs**". That cause is "The Wicked Cold Factor in Love".

Matt 24:12 NIV

Because of the **increase of wickedness**, the **love of most will grow cold**.

When God created Man and Relationships He created them through and for Love. **His Love - God Is Love.** Love is the greatest attribute created by God. It is an attribute of **God's Infinite Character** which He instilled in man's human character. The Wicked-Cold Factor in love will appear in the actions of man when the respect of the Word of God disappears from the heart and sight of man due to a selfish heart for **Control, or My Way Only**.

Remember, the Bible declares that God created man as an individual. That means that God maintains ownership rights of His individual creation. A **Relationship Melt-Down** begins when anyone in a relationship attempts to Re-Make or Re-Form the Relationship in Their Own Image - Not God's. There is a great difference between Relationship and Ownership. **Only God** maintains ownership.

Respect one another's God given **independent personality** and appreciate the Relationship God has allowed you to have. Or, prepare for a "**Relationship Melt-Down**".

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