



we are the smartest couple in the world!

LOVE AND MANKIND

Mankind has a serious problem: men and women seem to be unable to love each other. «I'd love you **if only**...», «I love you **but**...». The **ifs** and **buts** have destroyed more families than the atomic bomb.

What do you think? Is a love with a lot of **ifs** and **buts** true love?

These are all statements that teach to buy and sell love, not to give it for nothing.

➤ TRUE LOVE ◀

Free love is the most beautiful thing in life.
Be decided: neither half measures nor blackmails.
Love has no conditions!

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 Don Bosco Is Talking To You...

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this is
my favourite
tree!

THE COUNTRYMAN AND THE TOURIST

An old countryman was digging his field in a sunny day. It was May. A tourist passed by, and asked him what he was doing.

The old man answered: «I'm planting fruit trees».

Then the tourist said: «What's the purpose? You're old, you won't be able to taste these fruits».

And the old countryman: «Quite true. I won't be able to eat these fruits, but for all my life I've been eating fruits of trees that others had planted, so this is my way of thanking».

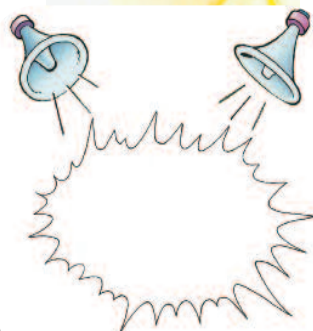
➤ GRATITUDE ◀

Think of all the people you owe something to, without even knowing them.

So try to do many good things, even if you don't know who will take advantage from them.



BETWEEN CHURCH AND DISCO



Two friends who lived in the country went into town. In the main square they saw the church and the disco. One decided to go into the church to pray; the other one went into the disco, because he loved liquors, drugs, all sort of coarse things.

After some time, the man who was in the church started getting bored. He couldn't pray, engaged as he was in watching and making comments about the people around him. So he thought: «*Why have I come into this boring place? I'd better go into the disco to enjoy myself?*». And he went towards the disco.

But meanwhile the man who had entered the disco understood that that was really a bad place, and started to think: «*I surely made a mistake. I'd better have entered the church, as my friend did, so I could have prayed and become better*». And he went out, towards the church.

Jesus forgave the mistakes of the latter, because he had started a new life. But He couldn't help the former, who hadn't even deigned to talk with Him.

► GOOD-HEARTEDNESS ◀

Never judge on the first impression.

When making your choices, in life, always verify.

Anyway God helps you, if you trust Him.



THE SULTAN WHO USED TO QUARREL WITH HIS WIFE

The sultan of Damascus used to discuss and quarrel with his wife quite often. One day, he called a wise man, and asked him: «*What shall I do, in order to stop quarreling with my wife?*».

The wise man answered: «*Once upon a time, there was a temple that could be entered only through three doors, one after the other.*

The same happens while quarreling: before uttering each word, one should pass through three doors.

*On the first is written: **Is what you're going to say true?***

*On the second: **Is it necessary?***

*On the third door is written: **Are your words full of love?***

If you pass through these three doors, you will be able to reach the temple, that is your wife's heart!».

► WORDS ◀

Mind the words you say.

Your life depends on them: let them be true, necessary and full of love.