

Reaction Of Love

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Place me like a seal over your heart, like a seal on your arm; for love is as strong as death, its jealousy unyielding as the grave. It burns like blazing fire, like a mighty flame. Many waters cannot quench love; rivers cannot sweep it away. If one were to give all the wealth of one's house for love, it would be utterly scorned.

Genshin Impact was announced as the most popular mobile game in 2023. Its (somewhat) new playstyle and high quality graphic make this game is popular among the player. The idea of playing this game is simple: kill the enemy as soon as possible by producing a huge damage. I am a Genshin Impact player myself. One thing that I like from playing this game is trying out the combination of party and the purpose is finding the best combination to deal a huge damage. Some characters are designed to support other character. When a certain character is supported by an appropriate support character, that character will deal a huge damage. The damage is resulted from the enhancement of the same element or the reaction of some elements.

Hyperbloom reaction in Genshin impact is formed by combining three elements. This is the one of the strongest reactions so far. In order to create a hyperbloom reaction, certain pattern needs to be done; first of all, cast the skill of dendro character, the the hydro character, then finalize with electro element. Dendro and hydro results in creating dendro core and the electro element make this dendro core explode and the explosion deals a huge damage to kill the enemy.

Human has the same reaction to other human. When someone is surrounded by those who help one to grow, then the person will bloom and shine. On the other hand, when someone is surrounded by those who hinder him to grow, then he will not be a better person in that community. Similar to creating a hyperbloom reaction, the reaction among humans needs to follow the pattern

to create a harmony. The pattern here means knowing what kind of treatment we give to other people. We cannot treat other people in same way since each of them has different personality and preference.

Let's take an example. Andy has two friends: Jack and Tim. Jack loves seafood and burger while Tim hates seafood and love French fries. Andy is a type of person who can eat anything. When Andy has lunch with Jack, they usually choose seafood restaurant and while he has lunch with Tim, they will go to fast food restaurant. While they eat together, they will choose restaurant in which serves the menu that they can eat, for example Chinese restaurant. By doing so, they can hang out together despite having different taste. All they need to do is compromising and looking the way in which they can do it together.

As human, it is our responsibility to create a growth society. The simplest way is by showing unconditional love. Love is already within everyone. Love is foundation. Interestingly, love has language. And everyone has different love language.

Love language is book written by Gary Chapman in 1992. He explains everyone has different ways to show love and receive love. There are five love languages: words of affirmation, quality time, receiving gifts, quality time, acts of service, and physical touch. It is explained that knowing our partner's love language can improve harmony and romance in the relationship. It is because we can fulfil what our partner desires from us to show our love and our partner will feel being loved.

Words of affirmations is showed by giving verbal compliments or words of appreciation. Chapman said that those two are the powerful communicators of love. When a husband says "I love you" every day to his wife or compliment her hard work by saying "thank you for cooking today" surely the wife will feels appreciated and loved by her husband.

The second love language is quality time. Having quality time means giving someone our undivided intention. So, if your friends or your partner has this love language, try to always be there for them just to listen to their story attentively, accompanying them in doing some activities such as cooking, cleaning the house, shopping, and having meal. Having a deep talk is also one way to fulfil quality time with your partner or friends.

The next love language is receiving gifts. The action of giving gift has the meaning that the giver is thinking about the receiver when looking for or choosing the gift. Gift is the visual symbol of love. Chapman gave the example of the meaning of wedding ring is as the visual sign that both humans are united in eternal vow. If you have a friend or spouse who has this love language, then give them gifts occasionally so they will feel loved. The funny thing about gift is physical presence can be the form of gift for our special one; so, it is not about spending much money to buy gift, but your physical presence is the gift itself.

Acts of service is also one forms of love language. This love language is manifested through doing action for the partner or other. Chapman gave the classic example of act of service. The action of Jesus washed the feet of his disciples is the example of showing love though act of service. It is stated in the Bible that Jesus asked his disciples to do the same to others to show love.

The last love language id physical touch. Many research about the effect of physical touch have been conducted. The baby will have healthy emotional state if he is hugged, kissed, and held by his parents. In marital relationship, physical touch is a powerful means to deliver love.

In his book, Chapman explained that there is no logic in being interested in someone else who has different love language. This difference creates challenges and, like Chapman emphasizes in his book, challenge always creates opportunity.

Surely it is possible that a couple has different love language, and maybe there is a doubt whether two different people with different love language can be together harmoniously. The answer is yes because the key to be together is not because those two persons have the same love language, but it is more like each person can understand their partner's love language. By fulfilling the needs of their partner, it is expected that they can build a healthy and romantic relationship.

The same case happens when we are working in a team. In order to be able to achieve a good atmosphere in a group, it is also important to understand love language of each member. For example, we know that there is a member in our team that has a love language words of affirmation; in order to boost her mood, we can say something nice about her in the beginning of the day or give her compliment on her work no matter how small the progress is.

Then, all harmonious and romantic relationships begin with the result of the reaction of mutual understanding. That is why people often say that they have a good chemistry with their group. Chemistry is the study learning how the reaction changes when the element changes. When we change the element of loving and understanding our partner with anger and ignorance, the romantic relationship will be arid.

As the excerpt Song of Solomon mentions that love is as powerful as death, nothing can sweep it away. The same as the strong chemistry is hard to break. People who have been felt belong to certain group is hard to go out from that group. A person who has been indulged with someone because they have reached a mutual understanding, is hard to be separated.

Reaction is an action performed or feeling experienced in response to a situation or event. If you want to receive a good reaction from your surroundings, try to stimulate them by giving something good and positive. The law of sow and reap becomes profound here.

It means when someone feels belonging to certain group or attaching to someone, one will react by staying by their side or always wants to be together. Not wanting to be separated is the reaction of a deep love. This reaction, of course, is preceded by action of acceptance that one receives. On the other hand, if one does not feel being accepted in a community, one will not feel belong to that community. The reaction one gives will be unfriendly behaviour towards one's surrounding or even the action of being separated with the community.

I have ever talked to one STARKI lecturer about the reason why she is still loyal working here. She said that it is because she has found her second home and second family here. She has known other lecturers for a long time and they have known each other well. She got many offers from bigger universities, but she declined it since she is not sure that she will find the warm and solid community like what she gets in STARKI.

The life of lecturer is also the form of love. Lecturer who is in love with the profession of being a lecturer will always give the utmost effort in preparing the class. This love makes the class enjoyable for the student to learn and the lecturer to improve their skill. It happens that she is working in the place in which grows her love of teaching even deeper; the place in which she feels encouraged and accepted. The reaction of this warmth and acceptance is staying loyal.

From the explanation above, it is reasonable to say that love is the glue to bond one another in a community. Despite each person has her/his own preference, characteristic and behaviour, due to love to one another each person can create a harmonious relationship. This harmonious

relationship will make each person feel belong. In order to make someone feels belong to a place or feeling attached to someone, one or a place should give stimuli. The stimuli that can be given, obviously, is love and acceptance. Although we always meet people who have difference love language or preference with us, by knowing them better day by day, we can adjust our action to them, so they can give a reaction we want. By doing so, we can create a harmonious community in which everyone feels loved and belonged.

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