

MRP and Wife Vs Mother

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Hey guys.

Working on myself and trying to take back frame slowly but surely, making baby steps.

One of the biggest issues in my marriage is wife vs mother. It is adversarial, dramatic, and immature. They are no longer even speaking to each other when we visit. I don't know if this is eternal shit-testing, or what...

I get either side has issues with the other, things they do / don't do piss each other off. My wife has drawn a line in the sand, and wants nothing to do with my folks. They are my folks and I believe that despite being weird, they are due some respect for raising me half-decent.

I also get setting boundaries, leave-and-cleave, and all that, but I'm sick of being in the middle/ having to pussyfoot around their relationship (another post on this sub discussed a relationship is between 2 ppl, and it's up to those 2 ppl to repair it).

I've stood up to the "I don't want to go to your parents to visit, but you can" shit-tests. I've left my wife behind a few times, to visit with my parents and boy she was pissed.

To boot, our young daughter is stuck in the middle, with grandparents who want to take her for visits, sleepovers, swimming, etc, and I know our daughter has fun despite a bit of spoilage and smothering (likely due to the fact that they rarely see her). I'm cool with it - I know my parents would never do anything to harm their grandchild, but the wife has shut down every single possibility.

Any advice appreciated. thx

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anythinginc • 9 points • 7 June, 2017 04:42 PM

They are my folks and I believe that despite being weird, they are due some respect for raising me half-decent.

Your wife doesn't value you enough to tolerate your parents, and your mother doesn't respect you enough to tolerate your wife. They have no motivation to be civil to each other via you, and apparently lack the normal politeness, courtesy, and respect most people try to show to others, especially family.

In a normal, happy marriage or nuclear family I would say that your mom needs to behave to have access to you and your family, but this being MRP I can't assume that.

AquitasVeritas • 8 points • 7 June, 2017 06:17 PM

Read this.... it helped me a lot... a lot..

A conversation between a father and son

At some point, every father should have this conversation with his boy(s):

Son,

As you are coming of age, your desire to be loved by a woman is growing. To feel the daily warmth of a woman by your side. To have and to hold. This is a natural instinct and one of the strongest ones you have. With that said, it's my responsibility to make sure you enter these interactions with a knowledge that I and very few other men have had the benefit of knowing beforehand.

I love your mother. You love your mother. Your mother loves us both, but not in the same way. You see, she loves me for the life I provide her with. My humour, my handyman capabilities, my sacrifice at work and my emotional support. She loves you as the most important thing in her life that she would do anything for.

This is very important for you to understand, because when you find a girl you want to commit to, you can't expect her to love you like mom does. In fact, if you try to make her love you like that, not only will she resent you for your weakness, she will be repulsed it.

This may seem a little harsh, but it's a reality you must accept if you want to get the most out of a relationship. That same unconditional love that you want from your girl, will be reserved for the offspring that you provide her with.

The irony to this son, is that the love you feel from mom and the love your woman will give to her children, is the same love you will need to give to your woman. She will want a leader. A strong and confident man who makes her feel safe and secure.

Furthermore, she will hate the fact that you still want that love from mom. So you will also need to cut the emotional support you get from her off as well. You need only look at the people in our lives who are mama's boys. They all live in very miserable relationships. This is because men don't need their moms love. They have already gotten all they needed in their youth. I had to find this out the hard way myself.

If you absolutely need to express some of your feelings, do it with your best friends, your brother or especially me. Never with your girl, your mom, your sister or any other female in your life. They can't tell you how to be a man. From this point on, you have joined the fraternity of masculinity.

This may sound like lonely road to travel. That's because it will be. We no longer need that emotional support. Men embrace the loneliness. We learn to accept it and thrive in it. This is where you will learn who you truly are

and what you truly want out of life. It's when you realize that you don't need anyones approval to be who you want to be. This is essentially where you become a man. Believe me when I say it son, being a man who lives his life like a man, will be the best decision you ever make.

I love you son

https://www.reddit.com/r/marriedredpill/comments/60q1n6/a_conversation_between_a_father_and_son/

I_pace-around_ • 13 points • 17 June, 2017 05:51 PM

Sigmund Freud would like to have a chat with you.

gixxerthouguy • 3 points • 8 June, 2017 12:36 PM

Great reply.

straius • points • 7 June, 2017 05:09 PM **[recovered]**

Does your mom get involved in family decisions and insert herself in a manipulative manner? If so, that's an invasion of your marriage (lack of you setting boundaries) and your wife is right to be in conflict with that.

Not identifying faults on your mother's side in your post is a red flag for me. You may need to add more information to get decent advice.

You've read NMMNG and are sure your relationship with your mom doesn't fall into that territory?

[deleted] • 3 points • 7 June, 2017 05:38 PM

My mother inserting herself into our marriage/family was a HUGE problem years ago, before marriage (but this was just when I moved out on my own, and my wife was only my gf at that time), leave-and-cleave was difficult.

I've been working on boundaries for the last while, though it's been a slow process - since we do not see my folks frequently, the opportunity to create new boundaries is rare.

My mother is definitely not innocent, and has her faults. Looking back now after reading NMMNG and WISNIFG I can see that she raised me to avoid conflict, she raised me to flight instead of fight. She raised me and it really fucked me up.

However, there are really stupid/simple things that my mom will do or say, that I tend to over look as silly, that some how escalate in my wife's brain as this huge villainous behavior. It's only fuel for her hatred, and everyone my wife talks to know the situation, hears about the hatred (including my mother in law, who is a sweetheart, believes some balance is healthy, but only has the picture my wife paints to see).

I know I have more learning to do :) All advice is amazing so far.

rocknrollchuck • 5 points • 7 June, 2017 05:13 PM

To boot, our young daughter is stuck in the middle, with grandparents who want to take her for visits, sleepovers, swimming, etc, and I know our daughter has fun...I'm cool with it...but the wife has shut down every single possibility.

What do YOU want in this situation? If you want your daughter to spend time with your parents, then make the decision, set the boundary and fog your way through the inevitable argument with your wife that will follow.

thewholefnshow547 • 3 points • 7 June, 2017 04:51 PM

From my observations:

Wife marries beta - Wife's mother calls the shots, husband's family is froze out. Wife tries to shield his family

from the stupidity of her and her mother running the show and all of her retarded decisions about his money.

Wife marries alpha - families generally get along.

Just saying. My brother-in-law is a born and conditioned beta and he is freezing out my mother-in-law. Mother-in-law is very hurt, but she is the one who raised him that way. She has nobody to blame but herself. I actually almost told her that one day, but bit my tongue.

Chinchilla_the_Hun • 2 points • 7 June, 2017 05:00 PM

Women love their drama. Stop caring what they think/say/do in regards to the real and manufactured strife. If they try to rope you in (take a side, provide an opinion, adhere to an ultimatum) withdraw your time and/or attention. Same mrp conditioning you'd do in your relationship with your wife

Big_Daddy_PDX • 1 point • 8 June, 2017 10:11 PM

It sounds like you don't lead and oh your wife and Mom are frustrated. You need to have the talk with your Mom where you tell her that your love for her hasn't hanged, but she needs to find a way to put the work in to make your wife feel comfortable. Then listen to her complaints about your wife. Now have the same conversation w/ your wife and tell her your Mom is going to make changes (and now bring up whatever your Mom told you in a constructive manner).

goodbeertimes • 1 point • 18 June, 2017 12:14 AM

I've never seen two women get along; and that too wife and mother. Head to /r/JUSTNOMIL a sub specially devoted to bitching about their MILs. Its a complete sub culture, full with its own terminology, glossary etc.

[deleted] • 1 point • 7 June, 2017 06:37 PM

First things first, work on you. Fuck this whole mom/wife dilemma and fuck the attitudes of your mom and your wife individually.

Fix YOU. You should be lifting, you should be shutting up, you should be reading the books and internalizing. You should be getting the clothes and leaning out and making yourself the best you can for you. Then, when you are well on your way with that mission, then you can start extending your sphere of influence and amass your crew as the captain/oak/rock.

Because right now you are the equivalent of a squeamish bystander to a shark attack victim. The man is bleeding out. You really want to help, but you don't know what to do.