

[META] Field Reports, OYS, etc?

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Foremost, I want to say I am stoked for this subreddit. TRP/MRP are great, but it is nice to have a corner of the manosphere that doesn't require quite as much sifting through the muck to get to the gems. That said, I have a few questions / thoughts on how things will be fleshed out here. Hopefully this is the right means of bringing it up, if not just mod this post into the outer-darkness.

Own Your Sh*t

Frequently cited as one of the most valuable aspects of TRP/MRP are the weekly OYS accountability threads. Is this something that we plan to do in RPC or should we contribute to the TRP/MRP threads? Being a long time lurker rather than poster, I'm not sure what the etiquette is around these sort of things.

Field Reports

Perhaps this is a natural aspect of a new sub, but so far we skew heavy on high level didactic material rather than reports and questions from the trenches. Interestingly, one of the most active threads was [this question post](#) by /u/mista_resista

Is this the sort of post that should be encouraged? If so, how?

Challenges

While there is an understandable discomfort with the concept of applying dread, the "60 days of dread" challenge seemed to be popular / helpful for many. Are there any similar challenges that you guys would like to see done here?

Etc

It was joked about on another thread, but I think for accessibility purposes keeping post lengths down should be encouraged. It doesn't shock me that a group of fairly conservative Christians like to pontificate, I know I sure do, but it really does make following threads more time-consuming than needed. I've noticed a stark contrast between RPC and MRP in this aspect. Perhaps it is because there is less cussing here. :P

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What_is_real_anymore • 3 points • 20 July, 2017 02:13 PM*

Here's my thought on the matter: Don't replicate what's already done, add to the conversation by baptizing RP ideas. This is certainly the place to post "in the trenches" questions when looking for Christian guidance.

OYS and [FR] - post in TRP/MRP. The bulk of the framework and reading has already been established. There's no point in recreating that. The work done there is profound, and if you're a man, the crucible is necessary to make you better. Iron sharpens iron. I am unsure of the RP women subreddits and how they help each other. I am loathe, however, to make this the "tea party" of the RP community. RP is there, we are here to see how it applies to Christianity. **We should be baptizing those RP ideas that are Christian and rejecting those that are not.** When looking for Christian perspectives to owning our own stuff and field reports, absolutely come here.

**60 day challenge ** - Love it, but let's use the Christian perspective. We ought to work on concepts such as fasting, hard work, finances, purpose, humility, headship, servitude, agape, eros, etc. I'm sure if we want this community to grow, we will have to contribute to these ideas specifically and flesh them out. There will need to be moderators, and regular contributors with quality content. Which means we will need to peer review, share, and communicate with each other - sometimes before posting.

Post lengths: Agreed. I'm a huge fan of BLUFF - bottom line up front writing. That might be a rule we want to post up here. Sort of a TLDR, but at the beginning of the post. - I know some feel as if that devalues effort, but good communication skills mean knowing also how to write concisely. I've noticed that Red-Curious is prolific. I stop reading after about two paragraphs ;) But I completely appreciate his zeal, eloquence, and content. I would also invite Red-Curious to reach out to Dalrock to contribute - since he's been talking about RP Christian Marriage for a long time.

There will necessarily be discourse and topics to flesh out. There may be some boundaries we have to establish too - as in this sub could quickly devolve into *my denomination is better than yours* instead of examining RP from Christian viewpoints. Where there are dogmatic conflicts, we can, and should examine RP from those different view points.

OsmiumZulu[S] • 1 point • 20 July, 2017 02:33 PM

Excellent points.

Also, my denomination is better than yours. ;)

RedPillWonder • 1 point • 21 July, 2017 04:06 PM

No, good sir, that would be mine. ;) The Best!

Red-Curious[M] • 2 points • 19 July, 2017 02:56 PM

OYS accountability threads. Is this something that we plan to do in RPC or should we contribute to the TRP/MRP threads?

This could be a good idea. I know other subs have code to have an auto-moderator post these up weekly. I'm not sure how to code that, but I can certainly look into it! That said, I wouldn't discourage people from participating in conversation on TRP/MRP either ... just know you're likely to get a different responsive conversation than what I'd expect here.

Field Reports ... high level didactic material ... this question post ... Is this the sort of post that should be encouraged? If so, how?

My hope is that there would be a healthy balance, and I envision that balance as being about 50% questions, 25% field reports, and 25% theory. That said, with the sub being so new and having such a small user-base, we're not going to see a ton of FRs and questions. We have to get content up to show that this is an active enough community to be worth the subscription and participation, and also that people here are competent enough to answer the questions and won't be giving garbage advice - hence the need for an early flurry of theory posts.

Are there any similar challenges that you guys would like to see done here?

Do you have any suggestions? I'm not opposed to all levels of dread. In fact, I believe in latent/smaller quantities it's actually something a wife should enjoy, despite the terminology. But the later phases and when it becomes overt, that's when it becomes more destructive than constructive from a Christian vantage point.

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Not a bad thought. This is obviously not part of my nature, but I'll try to be more mindful of this. That said, I have noticed that in TRP/MRP, the post lengths are traditionally much longer than anywhere else on reddit anyway, so I assumed this was an appropriate carry-over.

less cussing here

I have the auto-mod filter that and just made a new sticky about this.

OsmiumZulu[S] • 3 points • 20 July, 2017 12:02 AM

As far as challenges go I too don't have issue with basic early dread, so there could be a version if that. I think challenges around owning your finances, improving gym attendance / performance, or appearances otherwise could all be simple to do and highly beneficial. I'll think some more on it.

As for post length, you are right, RP subs in general have longer posts than most subs. Most often that is perfectly fine and helpful. The only thing I want to ask folks to be mindful of is whether or not the length is necessary and beneficial. If you have a big concept to explain and you do it well with 5,000 words, awesome and thank you very much. If you could have gotten to the point with only 500 words though, it is a drain on the most precious resource we all have: time. My 2c.

Red-Curious • 1 point • 20 July, 2017 12:31 AM

Excellent points :)

What if we set up a challenge for every 100 marker of subs we get? That'll give some time to come up with content for the first one.

OsmiumZulu[S] • 1 point • 20 July, 2017 05:48 AM

Sounds good to me!