



## Four Pillars Scenarios

### Roles

- 1.) Business man/Homeless man
- 2.) Priest/Atheist
- 3.) Gangster/Casual person
- 4.) Supervisor/Employee
- 5.) Student/Teacher

**This Activity Should Take 30 minutes**

## Scenarios

### 1.) Business man/Homeless man:

The homeless man is sitting on the street corner when a business man walks by...

*Homeless man:* "Could you spare some change please sir."

The business man stops. (*Business man=RESPECT*) looks at his watch (he is running late for a meeting) but remains stopped. Then crouches down to get to the same level as the homeless man.

*Business man:* "What's your name?" (*Business man=RESPECT*)

*Homeless man:* "Fred." (*Homeless man=RESPECT*)

*Business man:* "Hey Fred, nice to meet you. My name is Brent." (Puts out his hand to shake hands as he is introducing himself.) "Would you like to talk for a bit?"

*Homeless man:* "Okay, what's up?"

*Business man:* "If you don't mind me asking, how did you end up on the streets?"

*Homeless man:* Pauses for a minute. "Well, I started drinking when I was 13. It eventually got to a point where I lost everything: my wife, my kids, my family and... My house. I drink to feel happy and escape from the true misery I feel inside. (*Business man=RESPECT, LISTEN*)

*Business man:* I see, thank you for sharing that with me. (*Business man=RESPECT, LISTEN and UNDERSTAND*) I have had some not so good things happen lately in my life as well actually. At times I feel like I over work just to escape those feelings.

(A relating silence. *RESPECT, LISTEN, UNDERSTAND AND COMMUNICATE*)

*Business man:* "I'll tell you what, are you hungry? I'll get you something to eat."(*BUSINESS MAN=COMMUNICATE*)

*Homeless man:* All right! Thanks!

**THE END**

## 2.) Priest/Atheist

The priest is leaving church, the atheist approaches...

*Atheist:* "Hey, I got a question for you, how can you believe something you can't see or have no sure fact exists."

*Priest:* laughs politely, "It's called faith. Faith is your hand reaching out in the dark, believing there is something reaching back but not actually knowing." Short pause. "My name is Father James, what is your name?" Reaches out hand.

*Atheist:* "Names Pete." (*Atheist=RESPECT*)

*Priest:* "Nice to meet you James." (*Priest=RESPECT*) You know, everyone is entitled to their own opinions and beliefs, for me, I experience God's love through everything I do and I live through that. (*Priest=RESPECT, UNDERSTAND*)

*Atheist:* Pauses... "I can understand, some people just have that faith even if they don't know for sure it exists. I just find it hard to believe something I don't see or can't see." (*Atheist= RESPECT, UNDERSTAND*)

*Priest:* "That's fine, maybe someday that will change but for now that's where you're at and that's okay." (*Priest= RESPECT, UNDERSTAND, COMMUNICATE*)

They both nod their heads understanding each others point of views...

*Atheist:* "I actually have to get going, I have to go grocery shopping but it was nice talking to you."

*Priest:* Laughs. "Well, food is definitely important. Very nice talking to you as well, pleasure to meet you Pete. Have a great day!"

All four pillars are touched (RESPECT, LISTEN, UNDERSTAND, COMMUNICATE)

**THE END**

### 3.) Gangster/Casual person

Both the gangster and casual person are riding on the bus. The bus stops and the casual person bumps into the gangster by accident... (In this scenario, RESPECT doesn't arrive right from the start. In fact, there is a lot of DISRESPECT at the beginning until the barriers are broken down and then the RESPECT begins.)

*Gangster:* "Yo G, watch where you're going."

*Casual person:* "I am so sorry man, it was the way the bus stopped that caused me to lose my balance."

*Gangster:* "Look at the way your dressed, it was probably those shoes that made you lose your balance."

*Casual person:* Looks down at his shoes. "No, I am pretty sure it was the way the bus stopped."

*Gangster:* "Yo man, you need to get some style still. You dress so tight."

*Casual person:* "Well hey, everyone's got their own preference of style and this is what I feel most comfortable in. To each their own."

*Gangster:* Pauses. "I don't see how you can be comfortable dressed like that."

*Casual person:* "Well, I feel the same way. I don't know how you can be comfortable dressed like that either. We think differently about each other but to ourselves it feels normal."

*Gangster:* "True, I like that man. Yo what's your name?" (*Gangster=RESPECT, LISTEN, UNDERSTANDING*)

*Casual person:* "My name is Kyle."

*Gangster:* "Whuddup Kyle, my names Tito but you can call me T." (Puts out his fist for props.)

*Casual person:* "Cool, it's nice to meet you. I like how we can understand each other's difference, that's important. Everyone in the world has their differences and if we can respect them then there is no conflict."

*Gangster:* "Your right yo, this is my stop I gotta go. See you around G."

*Casual person:* "For sure, take care T. Have a good day."

*Gangster:* "Peace."

**THE END**

#### 4.) Supervisor/Employee

Employee walks into the office and greets his supervisor. They work in an office space...

*Employee:* "Hey Maria, how are you?"

They shake hands (RESPECT)

*Supervisor:* "I'm doing great! How are you Dale?"

*Employee:* "Ahh, can't complain. What's on the agenda for today?"

*Supervisor:* "Well we have a meeting at 11:30am, more information is written down on the board and if you have any questions let me know."

*Employee:* "Okay no problem, I will check it out in a bit. You know, I have been feeling quite frustrated the last couple days." (*EMPLOYEE=COMMUNICATE*)

*Supervisor:* "Oh yea, what's up?"

(*SUPERVISOR=RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING*)

*Employee:* "Its just, I have been getting a lot less sleep this last couple of days and it is starting to wear on me." (*EMPLOYEE=COMMUNICATE*)

(*SUPERVISOR=RESPECT, LISTEN*)

*Supervisor:* "Okay, well take it slow today. I will be for the most part controlling the meeting this morning so try to just sit back, listen and add your two sense when you feel up to it."

(*SUPERVISOR=RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING*)

*Employee:* "That's great, thank you. That alone makes me feel better and relieves a bit of the stress in my head."

*Supervisor:* "Awesome, I am glad to hear that. We'll talk in a bit but for now be easy on yourself and if there is anything I can do to help, let me know."

*Employee:* "Will do, thanks a lot Maria."

*Supervisor:* "No problem, see you later Dale."

**THE END**

## 5.) Student/Teacher

The grade six class is doing their homework when Michael approaches Ms. Kelski...

*Student:* "Ms.Kelski, I don't understand question 6 on page 392."

*Teacher:* "Okay Michael, let's have a look at it.." (*TEACHER=RESPECT, LISTENING, UNDERSTANDING*)

Pause to review the question..

*Teacher:* "Ahh, okay. So this question is basically asking you to multiply fractions, it's just put into a problem solving question as oppose to giving you the equation. Do you remember how to multiply fractions? It was the lesson I showed the class on the board yesterday." (*TEACHER=RESPECT, COMMUNICATE*)

*Student:* "Not really."

(*TEACHER=RESPECT, UNDERSTAND*)

*Teacher:* "Okay, so multiplying fractions is actually really simple. You just multiply the denominators by each other, then the numerators by each other and then reduce it to its lowest terms."

(*STUDENT=RESPECT, LISTEN, UNDERSTAND,*)  
(*TEACHER=RESPECT, COMMUNICATE*)

*Student:* "Oh yea, now I remember!"

*Teacher:* "You remember now? That's great, okay go back and complete this page and if you need anymore help you let me know."

*Student:* "Okay, thank you Ms.Kelski."

**THE END**