

Guest speaker addresses ways to improve dating life

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Improving dating life will be the subject of a conference given by David Coleman from 6 to 8 p.m. today in Room 100 Willamette. The conference is free to the public.

Coleman is the director of student activities at Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio. Coleman has led more than 100 creative dating workshops at colleges and high schools for eight years. His seminars have received national coverage in such publications as the *New York Times*, *Newsweek* and *Glamour*.

Many students say concerns about AIDS, as well as time-consuming studies and part-time jobs make it difficult to keep relationships. Because they have grown up watching MTV, this generation needs to entertain each other, making it difficult for couples to really communicate, Coleman said in an interview with *The Richmond Times-Dispatch* February.

The workshop will cover a wide range of topics, including interpersonal dating communication, the impact of alcohol

and AIDS on relationships and alternatives to drinking.

Mary Hudzikiewicz, assistant director at the Dean of Students office, said the University has recorded a lot of problems resulting from alcohol use.

"Date rape, automobile accidents, or just not being in control because of alcohol, are essential topics. It's time to sit back, to discuss and to raise the level of awareness," she said.

Coleman said he was invited to speak for *Greeks Against Rape*. He said he will not give a lecture, but an interactive seminar using visuals, slides and videos. He will analyze decision-making processes and emphasize ways to have fun without alcohol.

"Men especially are not aware enough about this problem," said Aimee Markwith, coordinator of *Greeks Against Rape*. "There is not enough communication. We must learn what our expectations are and know our limits with alcohol. I hope this conference will open new lands of communication."

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tion on the EMU budget committee and the EMU board since January, when the weekly budget hearings began.

Wall and IFC member Joey Lyons are voting members of the budget committee.

"The members (of the IFC) I think saw that Shannon and I did our job on the EMU budget committee," said Lyons. "I think that people were confident that the budget was prepared with all the goals in mind."

The EMU Board set out with a goal to maintain the current service level and to be able to provide the same services next year.

"In the past it's been tactical for the IFC not to let us know about specific problems they had with the budget

before the hearing," said budget committee chairwoman Stephanie Dixon.

Dixon said she was very happy with the outcome.

EMU Board chairwoman Margaret Chatfield said historically the IFC has tried to have line item control over the EMU budget. This year, the IFC passed a resolution stating it would vote for a lump sum figure rather than control line items.

"As an IFC member I have no control over the line items," said Wall. As a representative of the IFC on the EMU budget committee she said she was able to influence the budget line items.

The EMU budget includes funding for: administration, technical set-up services, house facilities, craft center, child care and development, cultural forum, EMU board, Outdoor Program, and Club Sports.



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Who Is This Jesus?

The following four principles will help you discover how to know God personally and experience the abundant life He promised.

1 GOD LOVES YOU AND CREATED YOU TO KNOW HIM PERSONALLY.

(References contained in this booklet should be read in context from the Bible whenever possible.)

God's Love

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16)

God's Plan

"Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent" (John 17:3, NIV).

What prevents us from knowing God personally?

2 MAN IS SINFUL AND SEPARATED FROM GOD, SO WE CANNOT KNOW HIM PERSONALLY OR EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE.

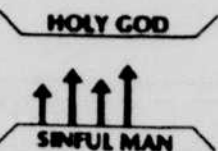
Man Is Sinful

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

Man was created to have fellowship with God; but, because of his stubborn self-will, he chose to go his own independent way, and fellowship with God was broken. This self-will, characterized by an attitude of active rebellion or passive indifference, is evidence of what the Bible calls sin.

Man Is Separated

"For the wages of sin is death" (spiritual separation from God) (Romans 6:23).



This diagram illustrates that God is holy and man is sinful. A great gulf separates the two. The arrows illustrate that man is continually trying to reach God and establish a personal relationship with Him through his own efforts, such as a good life, philosophy or religion.

The third principle explains the only way to bridge this gulf...

3 JESUS CHRIST IS GOD'S ONLY PROVISION FOR MAN'S SIN THROUGH HIM ALONE WE CAN KNOW GOD PERSONALLY AND EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE.

He Died In Our Place

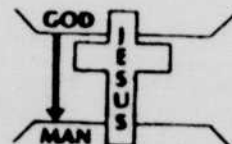
"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

He Rose From The Dead

"Christ died for our sins... He was buried... He was raised on the third day, according to the Scriptures... He appeared to Peter, then to the twelve. After that He appeared to more than five hundred..." (1 Corinthians 15:3-6).

He Is The Only Way To God

"Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me" (John 14:6).



This diagram illustrates that God has bridged the gulf which separates us from Him by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross in our place to pay the penalty for our sins.

It is not enough to know these truths...

4 WE MUST INDIVIDUALLY RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR AND LORD; THEN WE CAN KNOW GOD PERSONALLY AND EXPERIENCE HIS LOVE.

We Must Receive Jesus Christ

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name" (John 1:12).

We Receive Christ Through Faith

"For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God, not as a result of works, that no one should boast" (Ephesians 2:8,9).

When We Receive Christ, We Experience A New Birth.

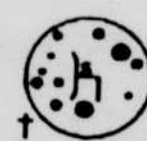
(Read John 3:1-8).

We Receive Christ By Personal Invitation

(Christ is speaking): "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him" (Revelation 3:20).

Receiving Christ involves turning to God from self (repentance) and trusting Christ to come into our lives to forgive our sins and to make us the kind of people He wants us to be. Just to agree intellectually that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that He died on the cross for our sins is not enough. Nor is it enough to have an emotional experience. We receive Jesus Christ through faith, as an act of will.

These two circles represent two kinds of lives:



SELF-DIRECTED LIFE

S-Self is on the throne
†-Christ is outside the life
--Interests are directed by self, often resulting in discord and frustration.



CHRIST DIRECTED LIFE

†-Christ is in the life and on the throne
S-Self is yielding to Christ
--Interests are directed by Christ, resulting in harmony with God's plan.

Which circle best represents your life?

Which circle would you like to have represent your life?

The following explains how you can invite Jesus Christ into your life.

YOU CAN RECEIVE CHRIST RIGHT NOW BY FAITH THROUGH PRAYER.

(Prayer is talking with God.)

God knows your heart and is not so concerned with your words as He is with the attitude of your heart. The following is a suggested prayer:

"Lord Jesus, I want to know You personally. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank you for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person you want me to be."

Does this prayer express the desire of your heart? If it does, pray this prayer right now, and Christ will come into your life, as He promised.

How to know that Christ is in your life.

On what authority do you know that Jesus has answered your prayer? On the trustworthiness of Christ himself, and His promises. He promised to come into your life if you will open the door (Revelation 3:20, Romans 10:9, 10).

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"Come to Me, all you are weary and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest" —Jesus