

Ten Thoughts on Open Relationships

Description

This week The One said he read a lot of blogs of families who live in all kinds of constellations around the world, and they write a lot of their posts in a style of [Five Reasons to Move to the Philippines](#) or [Twenty-One Reasons to Take the Children to Live in the World](#).

So I decided to combine this concept with the thought that it was time to grumble a bit about open relationships and our theocratic state, our "make-children-not-love", "you-had-a-civil-marriage-shame-on-you!" state, and all that stuff.

So there you are "Ten Thoughts on Open Relationships in Israel 2013."

To live in open relationships in Israel is like living in the closet. And it's not simple to get out of the closet. It's not simple to get out of any closet.

To live in the closet and live in open relationships is an oxymoron, really. Because in open relationships we strive to put everything in the light, in the open air. And there still, puritan Israel would rather see us in the closet. So you do not get to know how much fun is open relationships. So you don't get any nasty ideas. No light, no air. Ugh.

But still, the children, the parents. Unpleasant. Perhaps it would be more pleasant from far away, and perhaps not. Perhaps this is just an illusion, and the closet with the family will always be there to stay. Different open relationships are never identical one to the other. Every couple has an open relationship "treaty" of its own. Consents and other things are to be set on the negotiation table every once in a while, and I think the only rule to stick to is to keep a high level of communication. Very high.

Still don't have that level of communication? Consider opening your relationships and start talking. Or maybe the other way around. We started talking almost a year before we actually did it. Our communication leaped at least seven levels high on the way.

Open marriage require more restraint than you might think. For example, if one of the agreements states that he wants to know when "something happens", but does not want to know the details. That one will require restraint down the road. You will not be able to share a strong experience you just went through with your best friend. That's what friends are for.

It is recommended to have an open marriage with your best friend. There are a lot of couples who live in an open marriage simply because they have no longer nothing between them, but they do not want to break their home technically, so they stick together and everyone of them does whatever he feels like doing separately. For us it is not like that. It is just the opposite, and it's powerful and thrilling and a thousand times more fun than before, when we have been monogamous. And undoubtedly requires a lot, but a lot more work (it would fit to say now "Arbeit macht frei", but it's Israel 2013, you know)

What is this monogamy bullshit. Monogamy was good for a time in history when life expectancy was 40 years. Well, you are born, grow up, become a hunter or a great gatherer, have children. It helps your survival if you hold a demanding family. And thus once you sexually arouse at 40 again, by then you will already be dead anyway. So that's it, we're still alive! Problem!

Sexual arousal at the age of forty, they tell us that it is only for women, while men, poor lads, are way down the hill. So I invested in a young stud and I highly recommend it.

Then open relationship. It opens the heart, it opens the mind, ideas pop into life like there is no

tomorrow. It really does not belong (only) to sex.

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