

## ANALYSIS OF DON & LIZ!

—"The Truth Revolution", Pt. 2

11/79  
DO 2457

Introduction from "The Truth Revolution!" (TSOOC 90), by Sara:

**Near the end of October, not only did Alf, myself & the two older kids move as planned** to a nearby campground with our caravan, but the Folks suggested that Don & Liz's team join us as well, & this way their training could continue under us, & the children could all be together. Dear Dad & Maria chose the very plots for our caravans & even drove out to see us set up the day we moved, being the concerned, sweet Shepherds that they are! GBT! Don & Liz's team were parked just across the street from our caravan, as they had chosen a very nice second-hand caravan which the Folks had actually recommended they buy with their funds.

**Our whole camping team, Don & Liz's family, together with Alf, myself & the kids commuted to the Staff Home** every other night for dinner & to work together on various pubs projects. We grew to be very close to Liz especially during this time, whereas Don, although we also loved him very much, was obviously having quite a lot of trials, which showed in his day-to-day countenance & behaviour. Maria requested daily reports from our camping team as to what we accomplished hourly & personnel behaviour etc.

**After reading our first few reports, Maria pointed out that it was our duty to correct any situation that was not going right**, especially with newcomers, as people always go on from our house to represent Dad & Maria & their sample, & this representation always carries so much further than we'd ever expect! She encouraged us that Peter & myself should talk specifically to Liz, who was obviously the spiritual leader of the group, & very openly & lovingly bring out the points that we thought might need correction in her team so as to help them improve & be able to do more for the Lord.

**Knowing that this would actually help & even encourage Liz & really be a breakthrough for our new team**, we pointed out these few areas, such as diligence, less open criticism, more

team unity etc. to Liz, & she took this opportunity to pour out her heart & explain more about their personal lives together over the last several years. She described her husband as being so "very sensitive" they never quite knew how he would react to things. He had such a "broken heart" that he'd cry easily, stay up at night worrying & talking about his trials, & would resort to drinking to settle his problems! Both the wives were scared to ever say anything derogatory about his mannerism, attitude or bad habits, as he would flare up in a violent temper & usually blamed Liz for most of his problems, as she had had a brief interest in another brother sometime before, which she had had to stop because of Don's jealousy, but for which he never "forgave her". In fact, he strongly believed that Liz had stumbled him & weakened him because of her friendship & interest in another brother. She admitted that she knew that he would be furious that we had "separated" her from him in order to talk to her, & that he would definitely not receive it that Maria or anyone considered her the spiritual leader of their team, as this was just what he'd been fighting against all these years.

**Sure enough, as soon as we finished our prayer & discussion with Liz**, we all noted that Don was completely embittered & obviously fuming with fury that we had counselled primarily with Liz. He complained openly that the way we did things "smacked of the old ways" & "I just don't agree with the way you go about things here!"

**Next we explained to both Don & Liz that Dad & Maria always prefer to hear both sides of every story**, as you can never fully judge by any one person's story on anything. So it was our turn to talk with Don, as Maria had suggested we do at this point & she had given us the specific questions & notes to cover, which of course we expected would be understood by anyone working within our household! She also suggested that the rest of the Family fast & pray that day, everyone knowing about our talk with Don, as he was quite spiritually weak & obviously bothered by this confrontation.

**In this meeting Don sat between his two wives, Liz & Jill**, each of them with their arms around him, but who remained quite silent the entire time & let him do the talking. In spite of the points