### THE ART OF ACTIVE LISTENING

Listening well is a key ability that all successful coaches possess. We present the elements of effective listening and provide opportunities for participants to practice those elements through hands-on exercises.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Without ACTIVE LISTENING, can we effectively help others grow in Relational Wisdom?

#### 2. ASKING VS TELLING

#### 3. ACTIVE LISTENING

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,... Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless.

James 1:19; 26

How do you know when someone isn't listening to you well?

How do you feel?

What do you appreciate about someone listening to you?

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#### 5. HOW TO LISTEN BETTER

Tips for listening better. (Handout # 2)

## 6. LISTENING PRACTICE

Use Clarifying Questions to improve your listening (Handout #3)

**Clarifying** Meaning

**Clarifying** Desires

**Clarifying** Thought Processes

Clarifying Being

# **Practice Listening Skills**

How did you know you were being listened to?

What progress or clarity came as a result of being listened to?

What went well as you listened?

What did you discover?

7. HIGHLIGHT: What insight or skill do you want to remember from this workshop?