Questions for Couples Collaboration

When you are disagreeing with your spouse and are in the midst of conflict, it can help if you both take a break and think through the issue while we are calm. First agree to take a break and when you will come back together to discuss. Next, take the following questions and write down your answers.

- 1. What do I think we are disagreeing about?
- 2. Why is this important to me?
- 3. Is it a clear biblical issue and if so, what is it?
- 4. What (if any) fear do I have if we do it my spouse's way?
- 5. What prior experience, in my life, is affecting my opinion in this conflict?
- 6. What strong feelings are behind my decision to disagree with my spouse?
- 7. What scripture is the Holy Spirit bringing to my mind?
- 8. Who can I discuss this with to get another perspective?
- 9. What common ground do I have with my spouse in this situation?
- 10. How is this disagreement like previous disagreements we have had?
- 11.Where do I need to trust God in this?
- 12. What is my prayer for this conflict?