

## Aggreeing, Together: Story

### ~Other Speakers G-L: Sermon Illustrations II:

Whether in the church, the home, the job, or the local community it is difficult for two people to agree with one another on a controversial issue unless they study together.

Many years ago there lived an elderly couple named Tom and Ella. It happened neither one of them had ever seen a mirror. One day Tom stumbled on to one in an old trunk that he had inherited from his aunt. Looking at the mirror he thought the image was a picture of his long dead father since the image so resembled him. Day after day Tom would return to the barn and lift to his gaze the likeness of his father.

His wife, Ella, became suspicious of his long absences and made a search of the barn. When she found the mirror she held it before her face and saw what she thought was a picture of the homeliest old woman she had ever seen.

That night she confronted her husband and said, "Tom, while you were at work I opened the trunk and found that picture you've been looking at in secret. I've never seen such a homely old woman in my life! If you're going to waste your time looking at a picture like that then I'm through with you!"

Tom insisted that he was looking at a picture of his dead father and not a picture of some old woman. The argument was finally settled when they got the mirror and looked at it together.

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