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## Neurobiological Truths About Marital and Religious Relationships

“Perhaps it is our imperfections that make us so perfect for one another.”

– Jane Austen, English novelist

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### Neural Evidence that Two Really Do Become One



A [2019 study](#) used resting state functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), a neuroimaging tool, to examine 35 elderly healthy long-married couples to examine the possible concordance of their aging brains. The findings showed spatial similarity in neural networks in these long-term married couples, likely the result of a combination of initial personality traits and common life

experiences.

### Parents’ Marital Quality Impacts Their Children’s Physical Health



A [2016 study](#) among 80 youths with asthma aged 10 to 17 investigated links between conflict and affection within parents’ romantic relationships and the health of youths with asthma. Results indicate that parents’ romantic affection towards each other was associated with lower nighttime asthma symptoms and greater air

flow to the lungs of their asthmatic children. It also found that parents’ romantic affection was related to higher levels of daily positive mood in their children.

## The Neurobiology of Religion



A [2019 systematic review](#) of the literatures on neurobiological correlates of religion and spirituality practices and states found that religion and spirituality have neurobiological correlates throughout many sections of the brain that specific to religion and spirituality and not shared with other human activities.

Though not fully understood the differences were so clear, widespread and potentially beneficial the authors assert they warrant much more research.

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## **FROM THE BLOG: Deliberately Suppressing Reason**

**-Pat Fagan**



Western Civilization began when Socrates died for the integrity of reason. Fast forward to Communism, Nazism and modern feminism. They suppress reason and see the man of integrity, for instance Solzhenitsyn, as their most dangerous enemy. Here in the United States, feminism is the great suppressor of truth. And it has many dedicated allies and even more cowardly collaborators. Allies include The National Teachers Association, Planned Parenthood and SIECUS, and all the national associations of the “helping professions”: The American Medical Association, The American Psychological Association and all the others. Cowardly collaborators ---those who stay silent -- include leaders of the

clergy, high school principals and teachers and most college professors: a powerful collection of corrupting elites. [Continue Reading Here...](#)



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