## A Guide to Restorative Confrontation

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## **Goal:** To show someone, face to face, what they might not see or know about what they are doing or how they are affecting the world through:

- Introducing consequences into a situation in order to teach and strengthen.
- Bringing to the surface the good things people have forgotten about themselves after they have failed.
- Sending an invitation to strengthen a relational bond with someone.
- Applying pressure strategically in order to expose areas needing strength and grace.

## Process (The Five E's):

- 1. Empathy:
  - **a.** PURPOSE: Lay the foundation for trust (rapport, vulnerability, responsibility).
  - b. QUESTION: What happened?
- 2. Empower:
  - a. PURPOSE: Introduce powerful questions to help the person take ownership for the mess and start searching for its root cause.
  - b. QUESTION: What is the problem and what are you going to do about it?
- 3. Explore:
  - a. PURPOSE: Discover the root problem that led to the mess and who has been affected by it.
  - b. QUESTION: Who is affected by this problem?
- 4. Educate
  - a. PURPOSE: Help the person build a plan for cleaning up their mess.
  - b. QUESTION: What are you willing to do to clean up this mess?
- 5. Expect
  - a. PURPOSE: Create a target with goals and dates for when the mess will be cleaned up
  - QUESTION: Who will be helping you through this process and when will I be convinced that this mess is cleaned up?



"The Mess"