
Re TJ....

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/11 18:21

I was not an every day viewer if this season at first, so I did not really understand the irritation re TJ....I know she did well in the end...but today, she drove me batty!! So judgmental of others, while not "getting it" herself! Could really see why she had trouble connecting on the outside...it would have been hard to "stay with" the monologue at the dinner table! Phew!

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Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/07/11 20:09

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Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/12 00:40

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Yes! The dinner table scene was mind boggling! As I said, I missed a lot at the start of the season....more than I realized. I was afraid that they were going to start laughing, which would have been awful for TJ, but they seemed to "keep their cool." I know she came a long way, but it was enlightening to see what I had missed, in that I never really understood why people seemed so frustrated with her.:)

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/19 18:29

Today with TJ, I could not help thinking of a quote I have in one of my notebooks...."In life, you will have many opportunities to keep your mouth shut...take advantage of all of them." IMO....along with the constant talking , she was being pretty offensive, and a lot self centered! I think she was generally well intentioned...but you know what they say about good intentions, lol!:ohmy:

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TJ/Jill

Posted by jhal - 2006/07/20 09:09

I like TJ. She's honest and tries to solve her problems. I like Jill too because she does the same thing.

Recently Iyanla asked the hgs to be honest with each other to get rid of the 'funk' in the house. They spoke about it after group and I guess they forgot about it after that. Two opportunities came up in which all hgs could have contributed honesty but they didn't take it. Instead they did what they always do. Nothing.

TJ was on Allison's case about her drinking, and on, and on, and on. This was a perfect opportunity for Allison to tell TJ

to back off. But, what did she do. She smiled and acted passive aggressive. "Wino's aren't alcoholics." What a line of crap that was. All she had to do was say "TJ, I get that you're worried about me but I'd really appreciate it if you would stop now." I bet you TJ would have stopped.

Jill was trying to get some honest feelings out of Christine when she spoke of how her boyfriend's friend dissed her over the phone. "I wish I hadn't brought this up now." To which Jill replied: "Why are you getting angry?" Instead of saying to Jill's face what she said in the private room "I feel as if I'm not being heard". She just wanted to drop it.

What's up with these guests. It seems to me that only TJ and Jill are the ones who are honest and they also seem to get rejected by that honesty. Go figure!

Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by Debby - 2006/07/20 14:10

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Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by Boppler - 2006/07/20 14:38

:cheer: What a fantastic idea! It could be tricky considering the size of the group, but in some of the one on one encounters it could work; instant feedback on the behavior!

Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/20 17:58

Just my two cents...being...told...what your problem is is usually not well received. Realizing it on your own is what leads to dealing with it. Nobody can "decide" that another person is an alcoholic, for instance. Also, when you become too focused on someone else's issue....it can often mean that you are avoiding dealing with your own!
I think feedback generally goes in...but sometimes it needs a lot of "chewing" to get it down. ;)

Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/07/20 19:35

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I missed that!! Reminds me of an Ann Landers column, years ago re commenting on a person's weight gain...she said to ask..."and your point was"" Loved that!!!

I think that TJ's over explaining comes from wanting to be sure that she is understood...but, when you talk so much, people tend to tune out, and all they are really hearing is the school teacher in the Charlie Brown cartoons...waa waa waa waa!:blink:

"What does it have to do with you?" LOL...I can think of a relative or two I'd like to say that to!!!:whistle:

Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by Serena - 2006/07/20 22:08

I was thinking along the same lines. It's not so much what you have to say, but how you say it. Years ago, I was a member of a role-play group. It was a blast. You could play a scene and post-mortem it with the whole group however many times until you finally got down to playing it the way you really wanted to. I remember very little about the exact scenes now. What I remember from that now is that you always have the choice.

(If I see Allison's snotty little fantasy explanation about what a "wino" is one more time, I shall B) scream. Final answer.)

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Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by happygirl - 2006/07/20 23:19

TJ was right about Lisa being shallow.

Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by DeboraFan - 2006/07/21 02:05

I know.TJ is just the worst!

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Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by Boppler - 2006/07/26 08:01

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Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/07/26 09:11

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Boppler,

Ignore anything that that poster posts. They seem to have been trolling the site off and on a few months.

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Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/26 17:48

Re the show today...when TJ said..."Can I share something with you?
Mind your own business!" Pots and kettles came to mind!!:P
TJ...can I share something with you? ZZZZZZZIP IT!!:ohmy:

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Re:TJ/Jill

Posted by Boppler - 2006/07/26 19:58

I wonder if this was a case of TJ being off her meds?

Good grief; verbose, interfering, bossy and "know it all" behavior all at the same time. And after she seemed to have been trying so hard and, IMO doing well in progressing.

Or, was there editing for a future show - the one where "TJ gets notice at the Board of Review."

Usually I like her earnest, honest and hardworking efforts. But, today, she drove me batty too.

(Of course, some days I drive myself batty with similar behavior!)

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by hottie72677 - 2006/07/27 16:45

I think TJ is a really neat person who is just struggling to figure out who she is and how to have intimate relationships with other women. That is tough. I think sometimes we as women can be so judgemental, critical and very uncaring towards each other. I think TJ has some very strong, wonderful qualities that other women find intimidating at times. I feel like she is just trying to find her "place" and the feeling of unconditional love. She is lucky to have that from her husband, but, we women need it from each other too! I think there are times when she is overwhelming, but I think that her way of saying that she needs some attention and she needs to feel loved. She is like the little kid who acts out for some attention. Attention = Love We all want to feel loved! :) :)

Re:Re TJ....

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/27 20:34

You are right about TJ of course...but she has a way to go yet.

Although I had not figured it out for myself, as soon as Rhonda said that she needs to...care...about others, I thought, right!! I never thought that she seemed the slightest bit interested in what the other HGs were telling her. She knows all the phrases, but does not employ them! Loved the car washing exercise...hope the lesson gets in eventually. So...I thought her grade was fair today...trying hard, keep working on it!;

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by Boppler - 2006/07/27 21:26

I missed the part where TJ got her grade - caught it right up to where Rhonda was shown writing it (sure were a lot of strokes!)

What was it???

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/07/27 21:30

She got a C plus!

Then Rhonda took her outside.. and helped her to use the C as an acronym for other things she needs to concentrate on..

I think the first one was C is for Change, C is for Caring..

Can't remember them all... Maybe someone else can. She was then given a piece of paper with her assignment for the next day..(presumably tomorrow) in which she isn't allowed to give any opinions unless it's asked for.

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by Sistine - 2006/07/28 09:43

I like TJ! I've seen her in a different light watching the reruns.

The dinner scene cracked me up! I liked the editing showing the HGs trying not to laugh.

I think TJ is a bit manic. She gets caught up in the process and can't help but over react.

I think she viewed the dinner as being for her so she wanted to share all of her insights with the ladies...thinking they wanted to hear it.

I laughed when she's trying to be nice and says...oh look a styrofoam party....it looks like tv dinners...she really did mean to be nice...that's something I would have said not realizing that it was really a slam!

Have a great day...I'm headed to CURVES!

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/07/28 09:48

That was shown a week or 2 ago... Rhonda did give Allison the chore to do something nice for TJ... so yes, it was supposed to be a gesture toward supporting her.. which she felt had/has been lacking. I think the timing was wrong...

Could have just made tensions worse by forcing them to do something they weren't in the mood to do.. But maybe there was a lesson in that too. It clearly wound up being awkward for all of them.

TJ's comments about the plates could have been considered 'sarcasm'. I think they were trying to do a luau theme..

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/07/29 00:03

Was looking forward to this show today...re TJ's exercise of not being allowed to voice her opinions! Guess she could not manage it!

If anything else was said about it, that must have been when I left the room for a second!! :whistle:

Pretty childish, mimicking Bethany's accent in confessional! If she keeps this up I may have trouble remembering that I ended up liking her!:P

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Re:Re TJ....

Posted by ceilidh - 2006/08/04 00:35

Felt for TJ today, with the "crying baby" exercise....all that wailing was making ME nervous!:P

Why three at once, good grief! When she laid one of the "babies" on the couch with a pillow on its face...at first I thought OH NO!!

But, they were dolls, not sure I could have pretended they were real either!! I think she'll be OK...just no triplets, right?:laugh: