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Posted by Nadia - 2006/10/19 20:21

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Did you know that Danny married his wife Gretchen seven hours into their first date?? that's nutz I think.

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About the series

Danny has attained sobriety but now he and Gretchen are left to deal with the true state of their relationship through newly sober eyes.

As Danny transfers his obsessions with substances to an obsession with his wife, Gretchen may just have reached her limit. His jealousy is stronger then ever, his need for physical intimacy seems insatiable and his behavior still has manic tendencies. Dr. Garry Corgiat is back to help the couple navigate this new journey in their marriage and Danny also has the guidance of his friend and mentor, Jason and his psychiatrist, Dr. Kumar.

This season, viewers will get a completely honest and intimate look at how substance abuse affects not only the abuser but their family as well and the individual journey one must take for recovery. Having been to therapists, psychiatrists, group meetings and on prescription medicine, Danny desperately seeks out solace from the one place he had never tried before in hopes of being able to maintain complete sobriety.

Tune in October 22nd

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Re:Breaking Bonaduce

Posted by Debby - 2006/10/20 11:58

I really liked the show last season. Danny is truly a wild man. There were times I was so frustrated with him, but at times I was also very frustrated with his wife. Gretchen is absolutely clueless when it comes to some things. I realize she kept the household running when Danny was drunk, but, she lacks many traits that most people consider crucial in a marriage. I think that it is very naive to just decide you don't want sex and cut it off. That was definitely a control issue that she would not let go of, even when Danny was sober.

I saw Danny in an interview about a day ago and he said that this was definitely the last season because of reasons that would become clear at the conclusion of this season's show. They also did not mention his wife at all. I got the impression that they had split up,...which if they have, I think is good. I think they were poison for each other.

Danny jokes and says that he had to get Gretchen to marry him so quickly because if she waited any longer and got to know the real him, she would never go through with it. LOL. I can believe it.

I do think Danny is a very authentic. He says he has now been clean for 7 months. I do wish him well.

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Re:Breaking Bonaduce

Posted by anaya17392 - 2006/10/20 21:56

i'm sure i will watch this. i don't think i could stand to be around danny bonaduce for any longer than 10 minutes. he is too much for me. i agree about his wife. i know she is trying to keep it together for the kids but there comes a point where it is hurting the kids just as much by staying together and being miserable. danny is too much of a drama queen and it is to the detriment of his kids. i hope he does continue with his counseling for their sake. i remember his suicide attempt last season.

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Re:Breaking Bonaduce

Posted by Nadia - 2006/10/21 20:39

I never watched the show last year. I just began to watch it and it's kinda ok but I myself couldn't handle to be around him for long. It seems to me from the preview for the next show there are more troubles for the two.

Do you agree with staying with your partner because of the kids?

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Re:Breaking Bonaduce

Posted by Debby - 2006/10/23 11:19

I agree that staying together FOR the kids is a bad idea. Because of what Danny's daughter has experience living with her parents, she has taken on the role of little caretaker. She feels responsible for making her parents calm down and be happy. It is very sad. I don't think Danny or Gretchen GET IT. They don't see what they have created in their daughter. I hope the therapist explained it to them. Danny is in essence still a child. He throws tantrums to get his way just like a kid. His daughter is much more mature than he is.

Last year when my brother and his wife separated, my 12 year old nephew, who is normally quiet and withdrawn, became open, friendly and more happy than I had ever seen him. He appeared to be relieved his parents were separated. I don't think it was an act either.

They reconciled and have now split several more times. The kids are no doubt very damaged from it. I had dinner with my brother last night and begged him to think of the kids and move on. He wants to make it work and his wife wants a divorce. (They have 4 children). It's none of my business, but, if you have a spouse who is in constant conflict with you and refuses to go to counseling, what are you to do? My brother resorted to drugs, which made everything much worse and now he is in treatment for that in addition to his failed marriage. It' will be the first divorce in my family, so it is a major tragedy.

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