

'The Bachelor' Chris Soules Says That Men "Don't Work Well with Subtlety"



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Poor Chris Soules had a lot to handle on last night's jam-packed episode of the hit reality TV show *The Bachelor*. His hands were full with two group dates, two one-on-ones, a visit from his sisters, a shameless *Cinderella* promotion, and one big confession. The first group date brought seven girls to the lake for a day of beach fun and night of camping. Ashley I. was, in her own words, a camping virgin and a virgin camping, and after fretting over it, she decided to tell Soules the truth about her sexual history – or lack thereof. She snuck into *The Bachelor* star's tent in the middle of night

to wake him up and was clearly nervous as she danced around the point of the conversation without actually saying it. In his blog on People.com, the Iowa farmer writes, "Here's a little lesson for you ladies: Men are pretty simple when it comes to words... Spell it out for us. Maybe even write it down so we don't forget it. We don't work well with subtlety." Later in the episode, she bravely tried again, and this time, she came right out with her confession.

***The Bachelor* contestant Ashley I. was in need of some dating advice before she confronted Chris Soules with her big reveal on last night's episode. What are some ways to successfully open up to a guy?**

Cupid's Advice:

Getting to know someone at the start of a relationship is both fun and scary. Once you get through basic background information, you have to open up about the good, the bad, and the emotional – and that's not always easy. It's worth it, though: Sharing yourself with a new guy leads to a deeper connection and a stronger relationship. Cupid has some dating advice to help you successfully open up:

1. Pick the right time and place: Ashley I. should've waited for a better opportunity to reveal her big secret to Soules. If you're ready to share something personal, it's important that your partner be in the right mindset. Make sure you have an appropriate amount of time, their undivided attention, and a bit of privacy. You should be somewhere where you feel comfortable expressing your emotions and talking freely without interruptions or distractions.

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2. Be straightforward: Like *The Bachelor* said, “Spell it out.” Don’t beat around the bush; your significant other probably won’t understand what you’re trying to say, and you won’t get the response you’re looking for. It can be hard, but say it as plainly as possible. You may still have answer some follow-up questions though, so be prepared to have a conversation and not just make a confession.

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3. Let it happen naturally: Reaching the point in a relationship where you two can really be honest with each other can’t be forced. If it’s meant to be, it will be. There’s no need to rush to pull the skeletons out of your closet in the first few weeks of a knowing each other. When the timing is right, you’ll feel it. That being said, if you think this person can’t really get to know you while you’re keeping a secret, then it’s time to reveal it.

How do you know when it’s time to open up in a new relationship? Tell us in the comments below!