





In the beginning
I thought I made
Heroic compromises;
I dwelled too much
On the "hero" part.

Establishing our home I thought I should teach Countless lessons; I dwelled too much On the "teaching" role.

During early disagreements
I thought I gave in
Unnecessarily;
I dwelled too much
On the "I" word.

I saw a multitude Of faults: I thought I needed To correct his Not mine

Until
I found the greatest fault
In me:
Trying to change him
Instead of myself.

Concerns are different now:

Does the issue really matter?
If the answer is "no"
What is the point?

What am I giving up?
If the answer is "nothing"
Why should I care?

Can I adjust my thinking? If the answer is "yes" Why waste time arguing?

We have learned to
Listen first
Think next
Speak last
Teach by example

We have found Our keys to compromise.

If only I didn't Keep losing Those keys!

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