

# PEOPLE AND RELATIONSHIPS

## Types of People That Drive You Crazy and What to Do

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Types of difficult people:

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| 1. Demanding   | 2. Disapproving | 3. Deafening |
| 4. Destructive | 5. Discontented | 6. Demeaning |

How to deal with difficult people:

1. Refuse to be \_\_\_\_\_.

*Proverbs 12:16* - A fool shows his annoyance at once, but a prudent man overlooks an insult.

*Proverbs 10:12* - Hatred stirs up dissension, but **love covers** over all wrongs.

2. Refuse to \_\_\_\_\_ forgiveness.

*Luke 23:34* - Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, **for they do not know what they are doing.**"

*Colossians 3:13* - Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

3. Refuse to play their \_\_\_\_\_.

*Matthew 22: 15, 18* - (Example of Jesus) The Pharisees plotted a way to trap him into saying something damaging. . . <sup>18</sup> Jesus knew they were up to no good. He said, "Why are you playing these games with me? Why are you trying to trap me?" (MSG)

*Proverbs 26: 21* - As charcoal to embers and as wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome man for kindling strife.

*Proverbs 22:10* - Drive out the mocker, and out goes strife; quarrels and insults are ended.

*Titus 3:10* - Warn a divisive person once, and then warn him a second time. After that, have nothing to do with him.

4. Refuse to \_\_\_\_\_ in.

*Romans 14:16* - Do not allow what you consider good to be spoken of as evil.

*2 Corinthians 11:20-21* - In fact, you let people make slaves of you and cheat you and steal from you. Why, you even let them strut around and slap you in the face. <sup>21</sup> I am ashamed to say that we are too weak to behave in such a way. CEV

*Galatians 5:1* - It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. **Stand firm**, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

*Romans 12:14* - Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

*Romans 12:17-18* - Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

*Romans 12:21* - Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

*Proverbs 16:7* - When a man's ways are pleasing to the Lord, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.

Key part of understanding relationships:

1. It takes both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to have a healthy relationship.

A. \_\_\_\_\_ comes in two forms: First it comes from God and then from others.

*Ephesians 2:8-9* For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – <sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast.

*1 Peter 4:10* - Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ is what is real.

*Ephesians 4:15* - Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

You might want to watch a message I did in 2021 called: "Protection and Boundaries in Relationships," from the Series "Our Imperfect Family."