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Dealing with Difficult People

(Hebrews 12:14) Try to live at peace with everyone! Live a clean life. If you don't, you will never see the Lord.

➤ Life is full of \_\_\_\_\_.

➤ People are \_\_\_\_\_.

(Matthew 7:3-5) "And why worry about a speck in your friend's eye when you have a log in your own? How can you think of saying to your friend, 'Let me help you get rid of that speck in your eye,' when you can't see past the log in your own eye? Hypocrite! First get rid of the log in your own eye; then you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye.

### UNDERSTANDING DIFFICULT PEOPLE

➤ \_\_\_\_\_ people, \_\_\_\_\_ people.

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### THE FAITH RESPONSE

1. Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

(Proverbs 12:16) A fool is quick-tempered, but a wise person stays calm when insulted.

(Proverbs 20:3) Avoiding a fight is a mark of honor; only fools insist on quarreling.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ intentionally.

(Romans 12:17-18) Never pay back evil with more evil. ...Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.

(Colossians 3:13) Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.

3. Practice \_\_\_\_\_.

(Matthew 18:15) "If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back.

4. Don't be a \_\_\_\_\_.

(Colossians 4:6) Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone.

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➤ Life is full of difficult people.

➤ People are just like you.

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## UNDERSTANDING DIFFICULT PEOPLE

➤ Hurting people, hurt people.

✓ Disappointed

✓ Frustrated

✓ Oppressed

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2. Demonstrate love intentionally.

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3. Practice Biblical resolution.

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4. Don't be a difficult person.

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