

10 Keys to Dealing with Difficult People

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Jesus suffered at the hands of sinners, toxic people, religious people and difficult people.

As His followers, we can learn from Him how to handle these situations better.

- Jesus prayed beforehand (Matt. 26:44).

A lifestyle of prayer imparts the grace to handle difficult situations in a way that glorifies God and doesn't destroy us.

- Jesus caused others to marvel because of His silence (Mark 14:61).

Staying silent is sometimes the best response when dealing with difficult people. Read James 1:19.

- Jesus took the beating.

Drink the cup of suffering in Jesus' name with help from the Comforter. Read 2 Timothy 2:3.

- Jesus poured out His heart to the Father (Mark 15:34b).

You too can express your doubts, fears, complaints, and question things before the Father when you endure agony.

- Jesus forgave before they apologized (Luke 23:34).

Betrayal is what people do to us; bitterness is what we do to ourselves when we don't forgive quickly. Read Ephesians 4:26b.

- Jesus responded to the Father, He did not react to people (Luke 23:46; Mark 15:30).

Jesus' actions were in response to His Father's will. Respond to the Father; don't react to people.

- Jesus ministered while suffering.

He didn't give up on people because people hurt him.

Don't let pain stop your purpose. Minister to people in their pain.

- Jesus received ministry from others, like Mary, angels, Joseph and Nicodemus.

☒ The devil will use people to hurt you, but God will use people to minister, help and heal you.

- Jesus didn't associate with the Pharisees after His resurrection.

You can't blame people for your unhappiness if you don't set distance and boundaries with toxic people.

- Jesus rose again, so will you.

Difficult seasons end. Difficult people might repent.

People will afflict you, but your greatest ministry and pleasures will also involve people.

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