

# —how to deal with— **TOXIC PEOPLE**

## Scriptures on Forgiveness

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:32

And whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.” Mark 11:25

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

But if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Matthew 6:15

Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. Matthew 18:21-22

“But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. Luke 6:27

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## Scriptures on Boundaries

Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Colossians 4:6

For each will have to bear his own load. Galatians 6:5

Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? 2 Corinthians 6:14

A man of great wrath will pay the penalty, for if you deliver him, you will only have to do it again. Proverbs 19:19

Make no friendship with a man given to anger, nor go with a wrathful man. Proverbs 22:24

It is better to live in a desert land than with a quarrelsome and fretful woman. Proverbs 21:19

Let what you say be simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything more than this comes from evil. Matthew 5:37

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## Scriptures on dealing with difficult people

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.  
Proverbs 15:1

“Judge not, that you be not judged. Matthew 7:1

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.  
Matthew 5:10-12

For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another. Galatians 5:14-15

If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Romans 12:18

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” Ephesians 6:1-3

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## Scriptures on Humility

But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” James 4:6

The reward for humility and fear of the Lord is riches and honor and life. Proverbs 22:4

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Colossians 3:12

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted. Luke 14:11

The fear of the Lord is instruction in wisdom, and humility comes before honor. Proverbs 15:33

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you 1 Peter 5:6