

CHAPEL

Asking For A Friend

How Do I Get Along With Difficult People?

"Peace is that glorious brief moment in history when everyone stops to reload."

"Too long have I lived among those who hate peace. I am for peace; but when I speak, they are for war." Psalm 120:6-7

"If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."
Romans 12:18

What causes fights and quarrels among you? James 4:1

"Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?" James 4:1

"You want something but don't get it." James 4:2

"You do not have because you do not ask God." James 4:2

"We keep trying to change others. God wants to change us."

1. Let go of offenses.

Love overlooks the wrongs that others do. Proverbs 10:12 (CEV)

A man's wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense.
Proverbs 19:11

"Love looks past the behavior to the pain in their life."

2. Pray for them.

"You have heard that it was said, "Love your neighbor and hate your enemy." But I tell you:
Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." Matthew 5:43-44

"My prayer for others may not change them, but it always changes me."

3. Bless them.

"But I tell you who hear me: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." Luke 6:27-28

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- avoid dogmatic statements -
- accept complexities -
- ask yourself, "Would I say this to their face?" -
- assume the best -
- mind your tone -
- just because you can, doesn't mean you should -

4. Do good to them.

Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone... If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on their heads. Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good.

Romans 12:17-21

Freely you have received, freely give. Matthew 10:8