

A HOLIDAY SURVIVAL GUIDE TO
"HYPOCRITICAL PEOPLE"
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HYPOCRITE

An actor, one who hides behind a mask,
a person who professes beliefs and opinions that he or she does not hold
in order to conceal his or her real feelings or motives.

Matthew 23:25-28 (ESV) ²⁵ "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you clean the outside of the cup and the plate, but inside they are full of greed and self-indulgence. ²⁶ You blind Pharisee! First clean the inside of the cup and the plate, that the outside also may be clean. ²⁷ "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness. ²⁸ So you also outwardly appear righteous to others, but within you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness.

Matthew 15:7-9 (NIV) ⁷ You hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy of you, when he said: ⁸ "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; ⁹ in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."

TWO WRONG RESPONSES TO HYPOCRITES

- AVOIDANCE AND JUDGEMENT
- CONFRONTATIONAL AND HYPER-CRITICAL

1 Corinthians 5:12-13 (NLT) ¹² It isn't my responsibility to judge outsiders, but it certainly is your responsibility to judge those inside the church who are sinning. ¹³ God will judge those on the outside

THREE PRAYERS FOR THE HYPOCRITES IN OUR LIVES

1. GOD, HELP ME CONFRONT WITH THE GOAL OF RESTORATION
 - RESTORATION | WORKING WITH OTHERS TO HELP THEM REACH THEIR GOD-GIVEN POTENTIAL

Galatians 6:1 (ESV) Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. **Matthew 7:1-5 (NIV)**

OUR GOAL IS NEVER TO BE RIGHT;
OUR GOAL IS TO HELP OTHERS BE RIGHT WITH GOD!

James 5:19-20 (NIV) ¹⁹ My brothers, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring him back, ²⁰ remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

2. GOD, HELP ME CONFRONT WITH CAUTION.

Galatians 6:1 (NIV) Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. **1 Corinthians 10:12 (NIV)**

WE TEND TO JUDGE OTHERS' SINS THAT WE
PERSONALLY HAVE THE GREATEST WEAKNESS FOR.

3. GOD, HELP ME SEE THE HYPOCRITE IN ME

2 Samuel 12:5-7 (ESV) ⁵ David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, "As surely as the LORD lives, the man who did this deserves to die!" ⁶ He must pay for that lamb four times over, because he did such a thing and had no pity." ⁷ Then Nathan said to David, "You are the man!"

Psalms 51:10-12 (ESV) ¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Acts 13:22 (ESV) he raised up David to be their king, of whom he testified and said, 'I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will.'

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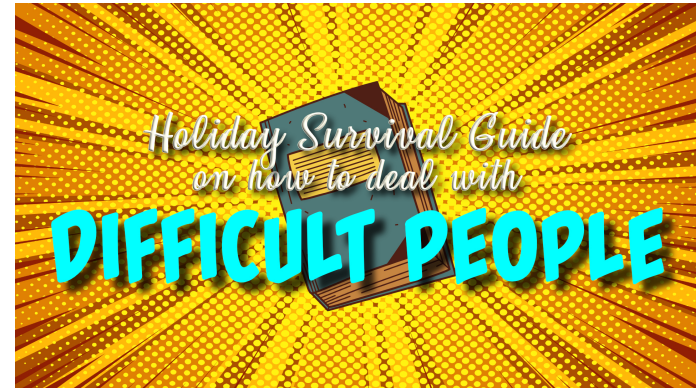
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