

DEALING WITH DIFFICULT PEOPLE

Critical People

DEALING WITH CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

- NEVER _____ THE VALUE OF CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

If you listen to constructive criticism, you will be at home among the wise. If you reject discipline, you only harm yourself; but if you listen to correction, you grow in understanding.

-Proverbs 15:31-32 (NLT)

DEALING WITH UNJUST CRITICISM

1. GOD, HELP ME KNOW WHEN TO _____.

Then the people of Ephraim asked Gideon, "Why have you treated us this way? Why didn't you send for us when you first went out to fight the Midianites?" And they argued heatedly with Gideon. But Gideon replied, "What have I accomplished compared to you? Aren't even the leftover grapes of Ephraim's harvest better than the entire crop of my little clan of Abiezer? God gave you victory over Oreb and Zeeb, the commanders of the Midianite army. What have I accomplished compared to that?" When the men of Ephraim heard Gideon's answer, their anger subsided.

-Judges 8:1-3 (NLT)

2. GOD, HELP ME KNOW WHEN TO _____.

When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly.

-1 Peter 2:23 (NIV)

3. GOD, HELP ME OVERCOME MY OWN _____ NATURE.

Some people make cutting remarks, but the words of the wise bring healing.

-Proverbs 12:18 (NLT)