## **DEALING WITH DIFFICULT PEOPLE**

Manipulating People

TACTICS OF A MANIPULATOR

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

HOW TO BREAK THE POWER OF A MANIPULATOR

1. GOD, HELP ME \_\_\_\_\_\_ WHEN SOMEONE IS TRYING TO ME.

From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead. But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him[b] for saying such things. "Heaven forbid, Lord," he said. "This will never happen to you!" Jesus turned to Peter and said, "Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me." -Matthew 16:21-23 (NLT)

• HOW TO RECOGNIZE IF YOU'RE BEING MANIPULATED...

- YOU FEEL \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ AND CAN'T SAY \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- YOU COMPROMISE YOUR \_\_\_\_\_ TO PLEASE.

2. GOD, \_\_\_\_\_\_ ME TO PUT HEALTHY \_\_\_\_\_ IN PLACE. If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other

person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back. But if you are unsuccessful, take one or two others with you and go back again, so that everything you say may be confirmed by two or three witnesses.

-Matthew 18:15-16 (NLT)

## 3. GOD, HELP ME SEE MY OWN NEED TO \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ EVERYTHING TO YOU.

You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you! Trust in the Lord always, for the Lord God is the eternal Rock.

-Isaiah 26:3-4 (NLT)