

## 40 Days of Love: 5- "Loving Those Who Are Hard to Love"




"LOVE is not rude, LOVE is not self-seeking,  
LOVE is not easily angered, LOVE keeps no record of wrongs."

1 Corinthians 13:5 NIV

DIFFICULT PEOPLE

"LOVE is not rude."

1- I will be \_\_\_\_\_, not just \_\_\_\_\_.


 Ephesians 4:31-32 "Get rid of all bitterness, passion, and anger. No more shouting or insults, no more hateful feelings of any sort. Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Christ." TEV

 Proverbs 16:21 "A wise, mature person is known for his understanding. The more pleasant his words, the more persuasive he is." TEV

DEMANDING PEOPLE

"LOVE is not self-seeking."

2- I will be \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.

 Philippians 2:4-8 "Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though He was God, He did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, He gave up His divine privileges; He took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When He appeared in human form, He humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross." NLT

Three "B"s: \_\_\_\_\_ ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ ❖ \_\_\_\_\_


 Proverbs 19:11 A man's wisdom gives him

patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense. NIV


**DISAPPOINTING PEOPLE**

**“LOVE is not easily angered.”**

**3- I will be \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.**

 **Galatians 6:1-2** “Brothers and sisters, if someone in your group does something wrong, you who are spiritual should go to that person and gently help make him right again. But be careful, because you might be tempted to sin, too. By helping each other with your troubles, you truly obey the law of Christ.” NCV


 **Titus 3:2** “Tell them not to speak evil of anyone, but to be peaceful and friendly, and always to show a gentle attitude towards everyone.” TEV


 **Proverbs 15:4** Kind words bring life, but cruel words crush your spirit. TEV


**DESTRUCTIVE PEOPLE**

**“LOVE keeps no record of wrongs.”**


**4- I won't \_\_\_\_\_ it, I just \_\_\_\_\_ it.**

 **Leviticus 19:17** “Do not bear a grudge against others. But settle your differences with them so you will not commit a sin because of them.” TEV

 **Hebrews 12:15** See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. TNIV

 **Colossians 3:13** “Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” NIV

**FORGIVENESS**  
is not something  
we do for OTHER PEOPLE.  
We do it for OURSELVES  
-to GET WELL and  
MOVE ON.

 **Mark 11:25** “When you are praying, first forgive anyone you are holding a grudge against, so that your Father in heaven will forgive your sins, too.” NLT

Blanks: 1- tactful, truthful , 2- understanding, demanding , background + battles + burdens  
3- gentle, judgmental, 4- repeat, delete