

Gentleness

1. We have a _____ before God to diligently work at getting _____ with everybody. **Romans 12:18; 1 Peter 3:8-9; 1 Corinthians 13:4-5.**
2. Our main purpose in life is to _____ to become _____ in character so Jesus will _____ us and we will _____ Him when we get to heaven. **Philippians 3:12-14.**
3. The effort to get along with everybody was _____ by God to be a major character changing _____.
4. God designed the _____ to be a _____ factor in our character growth. **Ephesians 4:1-16**
5. A major barrier to character growth is our strong tendency to develop _____: the inability to _____ our own sin, character _____, bad habits, lukewarmness, and lack of growth.
6. What we all _____ is for _____ to reprove us, confront us, correct us, _____ us, and hold us accountable. **2 Timothy 4:2, 1 Timothy 5:20; Titus 1:13, 2:15; James 5:19-20.**
7. Because of our _____ most people won't respond very _____ to being _____ about their blind spots and sins. **Proverbs 1:25, 30, 3:11, 121:1.**
8. Each of us are part of the "Body of Christ" and we need to _____ sin, correct _____, and to share God's truth, but we must do it with _____ if we expect God to work through us. **2 Timothy 2:24-26; 1 Thessalonians 2:7-8; Galatians 6:1.**

9. Gentleness is communicating without any _____, _____, or _____. **Proverbs 15:1.**
10. Gentleness is communicating to another person about their blindspots and character flaws without a _____ or _____ spirit.
11. Gentleness is _____ others with _____. **1 Peter 2:17.**
12. Gentleness is saying things in such a way as not to _____ the person we are _____. **Colossians 4:6; Proverbs 16:21, 23-24.**
13. When we communicate with _____, those we are _____ will know that we _____ them.
14. We can be _____ and still cause great _____ because of our lack of _____.
15. Being very effective at reproofing people, pointing out character flaws without offending them will take a great deal of skill, knowledge and wisdom; those who practice “_____” will learn fastest.
16. “_____” is taking _____ for every problem and conflict, not blaming others for anything.
17. There is a _____ from the world that doesn't work, but those with God's _____ prove it by their _____. **James 3:13, 17; Matthew 5:5; Ephesians 4:1-3; Colossians 3:12-13; Titus 3:1-2.**
18. It will take constant _____, self-examination, _____ and repentance to be effectively _____. **1 Timothy 6:11.**
19. A basic beginning place in our pursuit of _____ is to _____ ourselves to Jesus as His _____ and to declare Him to be our _____, _____, _____. **1 Peter 3:15; Romans 12:1, 6:13; Luke 9:23.**
20. Ask God for His _____ and to _____ you with the _____ every day. **Galatians 5:22-23; Luke 11:13; Hebrews 4:16.**

