

**Handling Toxic People
Part 2**

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. 1 John 4:7

Love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:39

Toxic Family Member Facts

1.

Stuff that makes a family toxic: *Jealousy, entitlement, lying, favoritism, unfair expectations, fear, power struggle, materialism, sexual sin, substance abuse, anger, no forgiveness, selfishness.*

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3.

The action that is required is not the action of fixing blame but actually working toward a solution to the problem.

Toxic Family Member Prayers

Prayer #1: Father, Help Me

We are like clay jars in which this treasure is stored. The real power comes from God and not from us. 2 Corinthians 4:7

Ways we are limited

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Prayer #2: Father, Help Me

Lord, how long shall my brother sin against me and I forgive him? Up to seven times? Jesus said to him, 'I do not say up to seven times but up to seventy times seven.' **Matthew 18:22**

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you. **Ephesians 4:32**

If you see a friend doing wrong, correct him. If he responds, forgive him. Even if it is personal against you and repeated seven times throughout the day, and seven times he says, 'I am sorry. I won't do it again,' forgive him. **Luke 17:3-4**

**You give it to God immediately
You give it to their face when asked**

Prayer #3: Father, Help Me

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind and then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is -- His good, pleasing and perfect will. **Romans 12:1-2**

Before I do something differently I have to think something differently

We are new creations in Christ. **2 Corinthians 5:17**

The _____ empowers my mind

The _____ enlightens my mind

The _____ encourages my mind

Let us not give up the habit of meeting together. Instead let us encourage one another.
Hebrews 10:25

We Get Better Together

Prayer #4: Father, Help Me

So we know and rely on the love that God has for us. There's no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. We love because He first loved us. There's no fear in His love. 1 John 4:16

Luke 15 - Story of the Prodigal Son