



WHAT DESTROYS RELATIONSHIPS AND WHAT BUILDS THEM (Part A)
HOW TO GET ALONG WITH EVERYONE series – Part 4
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“Christ makes us one body and individuals who are connected to each other.”
Romans 12:5 (GW)

1. SELFISHNESS DESTROYS RELATIONSHIPS

“What causes fights and quarrels? Don’t they come from your desires that battle within you? You want something but you don’t get it.” James 4:1-2 (NIV)

“The greedy stir up conflict. Selfishness only causes trouble. You are much better off to trust the Lord”
Proverbs 28:25 (NIV+GN)

SELFLESSNESS BUILDS THEM.

“Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.” Philippians 2:4 (NLT)

“The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others – and ignoring God – harvests a crop of weeds. All he’ll have to show for his life is weeds! But the one who plants in response to God, letting God’s Spirit do the growth work in him, harvests a crop of real life, and eternal life.” Galatians 6:7-8 (Mes)

“Live freely, animated and motivated by God’s Spirit. Then you won’t feed the compulsions of selfishness.” Gal. 5:16 (Mes)

2. PRIDE DESTROYS RELATIONSHIPS

“Where there is strife, there is pride. Pride leads to conflict” Proverbs 13:10 (NIV+NLT)

“Pride will destroy a person: a proud attitude leads to ruin.” Proverbs 16:18 (NCV)

“First pride, then the crash – the bigger the ego, the harder the fall.” Proverbs 16:18 (Mes)

HUMILITY BUILDS THEM

“Live in harmony, be sympathetic, love each other, have compassion, and be humble.” 1 Peter 3:8 (GW)

“Let the Spirit change your way of thinking and make you into a new person.” Ephesians 4:23-24 (CEV)

“...Be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves... your attitude should be the same that Christ Jesus had. Though He was God, He did not demand and cling to His rights as God.” Phil. 2:3, 5-6 (NCV/NLT)

The Lord says, "Forget what happened before and do not think about the past. I am going to do something new... I will make rivers on dry land." Isaiah 43:18-19 (GW)"

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