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How to Deal with Wise People, Foolish People, and Evil People

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Different kinds of people

The same answers help some people but not others

To help, you have to know what helps with different kinds of people

“Is that resistance, or is that wisdom?”

Wise, fool, evil

Wisdom

Inexperience = Autopilot

The nice person’s fatal assumption:
Other people are nice and responsible

Dishonor and abuse

Listening

Hope or wish?

Hope is based in objective reality

God deals with us as long as there is hope

*Leave inexperience behind, and you will live;
pursue the way of understanding.*

*The one who corrects a mocker will bring
dishonor on himself; the one who rebukes a
wicked man will get hurt.*

*Don’t rebuke a mocker, or he will hate you;
rebuke a wise man, and he will love you.*

*Instruct a wise man, and he will be wiser still;
teach a righteous man, and he will learn more.*
—Proverbs 9:6-9

*An ear that listens to life-giving rebukes will be at
home among the wise.*
—Proverbs 15:31

A wise person

The wise person sees the light and adjusts

Diagnosis: Is this someone who listens?

Is there a pattern where helping isn’t helping?

What to do: Teach! Talk! Correct! Instruct!

Give

A fool

A fool shoots the messenger

The problem is never in the room, unless it's you

When the light comes, the fool gets angry

*A person with great anger bears the penalty;
if you rescue him, you'll have to do it again.
—Proverbs 19:19*

Not listening

Don't talk

A different conversation

Limit

Consequences

The Bible: If we don't give boundaries, we're part of the problem

Hope doesn't come from more talking

The evil people

The evil people intend to destroy

Lawyers, guns, and money

Protection

Stop being nice

Don't return their calls

*If people are causing divisions among you,
give a first and second warning. After that,
have nothing more to do with them. For people
like that have turned away from the truth, and
their own sins condemn them.*

Make sure you're safe

—Titus 3:10-11

*The sensible see danger and take cover;
the foolish keep going and are punished.
—Proverbs 27:12*

Next week on *Solutions*: “Addictions for All of Us”

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