

How To Live Successfully In An Unfriendly Environment Or With A Difficult Partner

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"Woe is me, that I sojourn in Mesech, that I dwell in the tents of Kedar! My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace. I am for peace: but when I speak, they are for war." Psalm 120:5-7

- First understand that life itself is a battle, but not a war against your difficult friend, staff or partner.

"Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle." Deuteronomy 2:24

- Most life lessons are taught by life frictions.

One of those lessons is patience, and if you refuse to learn it early you might end up a patient most of your life.

"Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;" Hebrews 5:8

- Remember that it takes atleast two persons to quarrel or fight. If you habitually decide to dodge the quarrel, fight will die. Most of those arguments are neither necessary nor expedient. "The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with." Proverbs 17:14

- It's impossible to overcome an inevitable unfriendly environment if you don't submit to the fruit of the Holy Spirit. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law." Galatians 3:22-23

- Learn to fight wise. You and your partner have got one common enemy and joy-killer, Satan the devil! Take your personal stand today and run the "old man" out of your home. "No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house." Mark 3:27

- Intentionally relocate one "good" thing about your partner and begin to admire. It works magic! You can commence the admiration "necodemusly" until a ripe atmosphere sets in.

- Finally, do whatever you should, not to get used to hostility. Never "enjoy" for a day the poisonous "luxury" of bitterness and acrimony. It gradually grinds life to the valley of psychosomatic conditions, very similar to demonic affliction.