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Sometimes I'm not sure what to do! Do you have people in your life that rub you the wrong way? Maybe it's just real hard being around them? Or maybe they have hurt your feelings? We end up getting behind them in the grocery store checkout and avoid eye contact. Or they are getting gas in their car a few pumps over at the same gas station? We want to just ignore them and go the other direction. It seems at times that the Lord puts me next to the person that I have the most trouble loving. And I'm not sure what to do.

We all have people that we really like to hang out with. Those people are easy to love. They help us feel better about life and are such huge blessings to us. But sometimes we get paired up with those other folks, and we're not sure what to do. Those are the times we are thankful for social distancing, am I right? But we all know that in life we end up working elbow-to-elbow with all sorts of individuals.

I am thankful the Lord helps us in those situations. God will always show us the basics of what he requires of us. He will show us what is good in his eyes. Micah 6:8, "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

That almost seems too simple, doesn't it? But if we truly ask God to help us, He will. We tend to over-complicate things with a long list of rules and obligations, governed by our emotions. The Lord will simply help us to do what is right! He will help us find joy in loving others and will walk with us every moment of every day in joyful humility. Not always so simple, but the Lord is willing to help us all the way through!

Let us pray: God, we thank you for helping us when tough times come. Help us to be just in how we act, to be merciful no matter what, and to be humble before you and others. In Jesus' name we ask for your help. Amen.

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Mark 12:30-31 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. Love your neighbor as yourself."

Deuteronomy 4:31 "For the Lord your God is a merciful God. He will not abandon you, destroy you, or forget the promise to your ancestors that he swore he would keep."

1 Peter 5:5 "God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

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