

DEALING

WITH

PEOPLE

(THE GOOD  
& THE BAD)

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## A hospitable man. Vs. 13

- Carpus was a Christian brother that lived in Troas. Obviously he had entertained Paul in his home because Paul had left his heavy coat and books behind.
- 1 Peter 4:9 says to “*use hospitality one to another without grudging (grumbling).*”
- When you open up your home to others, there’s a \_\_\_\_\_ involved. It’s a form of generosity. That’s why it’s so Christ-like and so pleasing to God.

## A contentious opponent. Vs. 14-15

- There was a man called Alexander that had opposed Paul. Paul said that he “withstood our words.” The word “withstood” means “\_\_\_\_\_.”
- How do you handle people like this in life? You have to turn them over to the Lord and let Him deal with it.

*“Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord.”* **Romans 12:19**

## A friend that lets you down. Vs. 16-22

- As he stood trial, there were so many believers who could have stood with Paul, but nobody did. They \_\_\_\_\_ forsook him, which means “to desert.”
- In his hour of \_\_\_\_\_, nobody was there for him.
- Paul says, *“I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.”*
- In other words, “I forgive them and I pray for them.” **Acts 7:60**
- The deepest hurts you will ever endure in life will come from \_\_\_\_\_. **Psalm 41:9**
- How do you deal with this? Paul provides for us an incredible example of how a Spirit-filled person deals with these things.
  - **He recognized the \_\_\_\_\_.** Vs. 16
  - **He chose to \_\_\_\_\_ rather than hold a \_\_\_\_\_.** Forgiveness isn’t forgetting. It is remembering there was an \_\_\_\_\_, but you have dismissed the charges. **Vs. 16**
  - **Paul focused on the \_\_\_\_\_.** Paul chose to focus on Jesus. **Vs. 17-21**

Jesus and His \_\_\_\_\_ will sustain you through anything this world can throw at you. **Vs. 22**