



# Word Study on "Gentleness"

**Gentleness**- mildness, being careful with the feelings of others

Please read the following passages and answer the associated questions.

[A] According to Psalm 18:35 is gentleness an attribute of God? \_\_\_\_\_

[B] In Matthew 5:5 what will the gentle inherit? \_\_\_\_\_

[C] In Matthew 11:29 who is gentle? \_\_\_\_\_

[D] What is Jesus doing in Matthew 21:1-11? \_\_\_\_\_

[E] How is Jesus described in Matthew 21:5? \_\_\_\_\_

[F] In 1 Corinthians 4:21 what is the opposite of coming with the rod of discipline?  
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[G] In 2 Corinthians 10:1 how does Paul describe Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

[H] In Galatians 6:1 with what spirit are we to correct those caught in sin? \_\_\_\_\_

[I] In Ephesians 4:1-2 who is asking them to walk with gentleness? \_\_\_\_\_

[J] In 1 Thessalonians 2:7 what is gentle compared to? \_\_\_\_\_

[K] In 1 Peter 3:3-5 what is imperishable? \_\_\_\_\_

[L] Compare Proverbs 15:1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2:25 and 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3:15-16. What do they tell us about answering questions from those who hate Christianity?

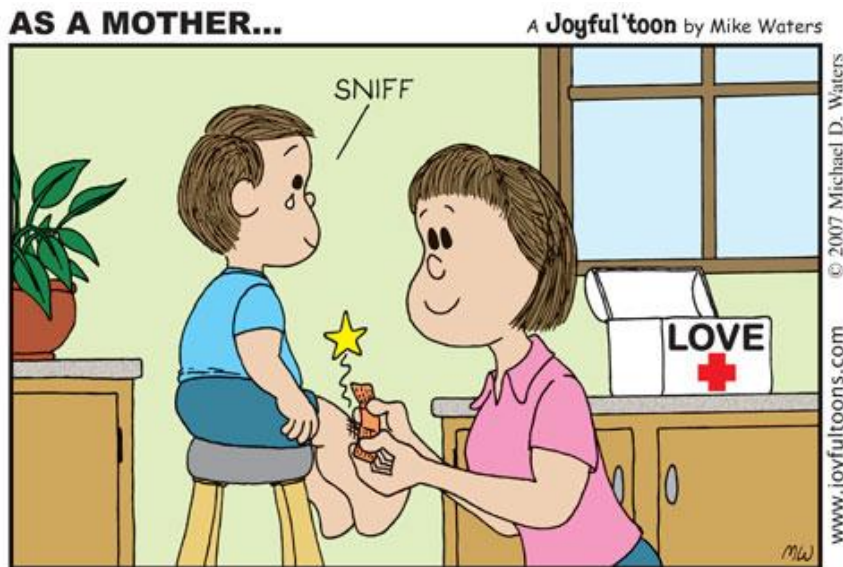
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As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem. -ISAIAH 66:13 NIV

----- "GENTLENESS" ANSWERS -----

- [A] According to Psalm 18:35 is gentleness an attribute of God? Yes
- [B] In Matthew 5:5 what will the gentle inherit? The earth
- [C] In Matthew 11:29 who is gentle? Jesus
- [D] What is Jesus doing in Matthew 21:1-11? Entering Jerusalem on a donkey
- [E] How is Jesus described in Matthew 21:5? As a gentle king
- [F] In 1 Corinthians 4:21 what is the opposite of coming with the rod of discipline?  
Coming with love and a spirit of gentleness
- [G] In 2 Corinthians 10:1 how does Paul describe Christ? Meek and gentle
- [H] In Galatians 6:1 with what spirit are we to correct those caught in sin? Gentleness
- [I] In Ephesians 4:1-2 who is asking them to walk with gentleness? Paul, the prisoner of the Lord
- [J] In 1 Thessalonians 2:7 what is gentle compared to? A nursing mother caring for her children
- [K] In 1 Peter 3:3-5 what is imperishable? A gentle and quiet spirit

[L] We should be gentle with them. Their wrath is a symptom of their pain. We have the solution to their pain. We are like those people on the animal documentaries trying to rescue a tiger from the quicksand. We are trying to help them, but they don't know that. Our best chance of making them realize we want to help them is to be gentle.

**For further thought:**

- (m) What can you add to this list of things that show gentleness?  
Not promoting yourself  
Not thinking more highly of yourself than others  
Not making sudden decisions unless you have to  
Being careful of the feelings of others  
Which of them describe you, and which of them are in your future plans?
- (n) Is Jeremiah 11:19 talking about Jesus? How do you know?
- (o) If we do what it says in Philippians 4:5 aren't we being boastful?
- (p) In 1 Timothy 3:3 gentle is compared with what opposite? What does that mean?
- (q) Does Titus 3:2 reveal anything about the nature of gentleness?
- (r) Does James 3:17 reveal anything about the nature of gentleness?