



Live as a heaven-bound disciple long enough and people will open up to you, maybe even looking to lean on you at times. One of God's greatest gifts: _____ (2 Cor 7:2-7). But the friends of Job (Job 2:11-13) teach us several lessons in what (not) to do (Job 16:1-3).

Five Pitfalls When Trying to Help Others

- ◆ Saying the _____ thing (Job 1:8; 4:1-9; 22:5-11, 21; Prov 18:21)
- ◆ Misapplying _____ (Job 5:13, 17; Prov 26:9)
- ◆ Correcting in the wrong way at the wrong _____ (Job 6:24-26; Eph 4:15; Prov 25:11)
- ◆ Trying to "_____ " the unknown (Job 8:1-4; 21:34; 42:7; Deut 29:29)
- ◆ Doing _____ (Job 2:13)

"Comforted That We Might Comfort"

- ◆ _____ there (John 11:32-35; Rom 12:9, 15)
- ◆ Seek to _____ (Philemon 7)
- ◆ Be quick to _____ (James 1:19) and _____ in what you say (Prov 15:28)
- ◆ Having been given life and light, be a _____ of life and light (Prov 10:11)
- ◆ _____ without ceasing (1 Tim 2:1; Gal 6:2)

To Those Currently in "Desolate Places"...

- ◆ Do you realize what Jesus did in such places? He _____ (Mark 1:35), conquered _____ (Matt 4:1), fed _____ (Mark 8:4), fed _____ (Matt 15:33), and offered _____ (Mark 6:31).
- ◆ Even in the "desolate place," don't assume Jesus is _____ (John 16:33).