

**Series: WAITING FOR SOMETHING TO HAPPEN**  
**#10: While Waiting, Develop Your People Skills**  
**1 Thessalonians 5:12-15**

**This week's news headlines:**  
**Will the Health Care Bill Pass This Weekend?**  
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**Ever feel like you're just waiting for something to happen? Welcome to the world of *Thessalonians*. They were waiting for the Lord's return, but the stress they were under (because of unemployment and death and their anti-christian culture) was stressing them out and dividing the Family. While waiting, says their Evangelist and Counselor, develop your people skills!**

**People Skills . . . with your Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ . 5:12-13**

- 1. those who work hard...**
- 2. who care for you**
- 3. who correct you.**

- 1. Don't ignore them, identify them.**
- 2. Don't rip them, respect them.**
- 3. Don't fight them, get along with them.**

**People Skills . . . with your Flawed \_\_\_\_\_ . 5:14a-c**

- 1. The idle (4:9-12): don't admire them, admonish them.**
- 2. The disheartened (4:13-18): don't criticize them, comfort them.**
- 3. The spiritually weak (5:1-11): don't reject them, restore them.**

**People Skills . . . with Everyone you meet. 5:14d-15**

- 1. Don't be impatient, give them time.**
- 2. Don't retaliate, forgive them (like Jesus).**
- 3. Don't be cold, come up with new ways of being kind.**