

Accept Them for Who They Are ©

People are who they are

You must accept them for who and what they are

Every person has a unique resume

And you don't have the power to revise their dossier

Each document has personalized lists of references

Including relatives and teachers having major influences

People are who they are

So, meet them where they are, whether near or far

Everyone is a star in their own right

An original compilation of success and plight

Each having their own backpack of issues

Some carrying heavy luggage without any clues

Personal baggage might include bias and false misconceptions

All that you can do is share your conflicting perceptions

Some hold tight to their racism and rage

But you must remain civil, and intellectually engage

You cannot make assumptions or isolated inferences

But exchange ideas, and sort out any indifferences

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Difficult dialogue isn't about condemnation, but tolerance
Promoting reverence and acceptance

Diversity is a concept that all must acknowledge
To combat hate, you must disseminate factual knowledge

People are who they are
And sometimes you must serve as a role model or exemplar

With your intentional efforts and grace
You can help save our human race

The globe is riddled with inequities and discrimination
Surely, social injustice is a worldly limitation

People are who they are with distinct differences
Each making individual global significances

Doing what's right and advocate
Or perpetrating the problem and instigate

People are who they are and some take things a bit too far
But despite their negative feelings, they are still human beings
You must forgive and accept them for who they are

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