# **Dramatic Philip**

The following seven traits and behaviors are clues to the presence of the Dramatic Philip personality style. A person who has a strong Dramatic tendency will demonstrate more of these behaviors more intensely than someone who has less of this style.

- **1. Feelings:** Dramatic men and women live in an emotional world. They are sensation-oriented, emotionally demonstrative, and physically affectionate. They react emotionally to events and can shift quickly from mood to mood.
- **2.** Color: They experience life vividly and expansively. They have rich imaginations, they tell entertaining stories, and they are drawn to romance and melodrama.
- **3. Attention:** Dramatic people like to be seen and noticed. They are often the center of attention, and they rise to the occasion when all eyes are on them.
- **4. Appearance:** They pay a lot of attention to grooming, and they enjoy clothes, style, and fashion.
- **5. Sexual Attraction:** In appearance and behavior, Dramatic individuals enjoy their sexuality. They are seductive, engaging, charming tempters and temptresses.
- **6. Engagement:** Easily putting their trust in others, they are able to become quickly involved in relationships.
- **7. The Spirit is Willing:** People with Dramatic personality style eagerly respond to new ideas and suggestions from others.

# The Dramatic Philip in Action

The men and women with this style know the world through their emotions—they're "heart" people rather than "head" people. They overflow with feeling and zest. They are spontaneous people who love excitement, attention, applause, and emotion.

These are highly social, frequently seductive people and they love to be where the action is. They are often happiest when the atmosphere is highly charged and all eyes are on them. Their focus is to win friends and influence people and present a dazzling image. Dramatic men and women rouse others, energize them, and charm them. Many are gifted with profound intuition about other people's feelings, which can serve them well in all areas of their lives. As other-directed as they are, however, their self-esteem may balance on how other people respond to them.

They demand a lot of energy from their partners and from subordinates at work, and they have a low tolerance for boredom, which can lead to difficulties settling into a relationship or into jobs that do not present continual stimulation.

Life with Dramatic Philip personalities can be stormy, considering their strong and immediate emotional reactions. Nonetheless, they frequently are attracted to dry, stable Conscientious types who provide necessary balance to their lives (and to whose lives they can bring some excitement). Conscientious partners will need to learn how to compliment

and to say. "I love you, " since Dramatic Philips lose confidence when they receive no feedback to confirm their view of themselves. Trouble in a relationship will be a major blow to self-esteem, as will being without a partner or lover. To cope with stress and anxiety, Dramatic Philips like to look on the bright side, to repress the unpleasant in order to sustain an optimistic outlook.

These are not detail people. But they are often highly creative, idea types, sometimes brilliant in their hunches. They can be good at persuading others to back their projects and often make strong managers, but they do best at work as well as in their personal lives if they can find others who are better than they usually are at the tedious follow-through.

### **Issues of the Dramatic Philip**

Dramatic Philips tend to be emotional and can be quite intense in their relationships to the point of getting quite upset if there is not reciprocity in feeling intensity from their partner. As rescuers they have a tendency to ride to the rescue of the underdog or collect stray dogs and cats, which they sometimes abandon to ride to the rescue of another. They can be easily frustrated, which is a word they often use to describe how they feel. Contentment is often hard for the Dramatic Philip and is something they must learn in order to be happy. In conflict or under stress they are fighters by nature and will fight primarily through verbal confrontation using many words to make their point and win the argument. They grow and mature best in a loving, caring environment with firm boundaries they can push against but will remain firm.

# Scripture for the Dramatic Philip

Peter is the epitome of the temperament of a fighter. Therefore his book of 1<sup>st</sup> Peter has much to say to the Dramatic Philip who is also a fighter. In 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 3:1-7 Peter writes, <sup>1</sup>In the same way, you wives must accept the authority of your husbands, even those who refuse to accept the Good News. Your godly lives will speak to them better than any words. They will be won over <sup>2</sup>by watching your pure, godly behavior.

<sup>3</sup>Don't be concerned about the outward beauty that depends on fancy hairstyles, expensive jewelry, or beautiful clothes. <sup>4</sup>You should be known for the beauty that comes from within, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is so precious to God. <sup>5</sup>That is the way the holy women of old made themselves beautiful. They trusted God and accepted the authority of their husbands. <sup>6</sup>For instance, Sarah obeyed her husband, Abraham, when she called him her master. You are her daughters when you do what is right without fear of what your husbands might do.

#### Husbands

<sup>7</sup>In the same way, you husbands must give honor to your wives. Treat her with understanding as you live together. She may be weaker than you are, but she is your equal partner in God's gift of new life. If you don't treat her as you should, your prayers will not be heard.

Peter is saying focus on what is important. God is interested in your inner beauty or self, the beauty that doesn't fade. He wants a quiet spirit that has significant influence as opposed to always speaking whatever is in our hearts regardless of the potential impact. He also wants both men and women here addressed as husbands and wives to be mindful of one another but in a loving non-dominating way. He wants the Dramatic to work for

understanding and not always for attention. As an intuitive personality type the Dramatic Philip can be quite understanding if they will stop to listen.

# Listening

#### WHY IS LISTENING SO IMPORTANT?

PROVERBS 1:8-9

Listening helps us grow and mature.

PROVERBS 5:13

Listening helps keep us accountable.

PROVERBS 2:1-9

Listening is essential to good decision-making.

**PROVERBS 8:1-12** 

Listening keeps us from being closed-minded.

Exodus 18:24; Job 29:21-23

Listening shows that we respect others. It honors the words of others. There is something affirming about feeling that you've been listened to.

PROVERBS 21:13

Listening is more than hearing; it's a connecting with others. It helps us know where they are coming from.

## WHAT ARE SOME THINGS WE SHOULDN'T LISTEN TO?

GENESIS 3:1-6; MATTHEW 6:13

Temptation.

LEVITICUS 19:16

Gossip.

2 PETER 2:1-3; MARK 13:21-23

False teaching.

EPHESIANS 5:4; PROVERBS 12:18

Insults and off-color stories.

PROVERBS 13:5

Lies.

PROVERBS 29:5

Flattery.

# How do we listen to God?

PSALM 4:3; PSALM 5:3

Through prayer.

### PSALM 46:10

Being quiet helps us hear God's voice.

#### 1 Kings 19:12

God is big, so we expect him to speak with the voice of thunder or lightning or earthquake or fire. But God often expresses his powerful love in gentle whispers. Listen for God's whispers as well as his shouts.

# Promise from God: Proverbs 1:23

<sup>23</sup>Come here and listen to me! I'll pour out the spirit of wisdom upon you and make you wise.

# **Frustration**

### WHY DO WE GET FRUSTRATED?

#### MICAH 6:15

Sometimes we are frustrated when we work hard for something but it doesn't happen.

#### JAMES 4:3

Sometimes we are frustrated in our prayers, expecting certain answers that never come because we have the wrong motives. We fail to see how God is protecting us from what will hurt us.

#### JOB 10:13-22

Pain and suffering bring frustration.

#### PSALM 94:3

We should be frustrated by the evil all around us.

#### HOW AM I TO RESPOND TO FRUSTRATION?

#### PROVERBS 21:2

Examining the source of our frustration helps us know how to deal with it. There is a big difference between being frustrated in our quest to do good and being frustrated because we are not getting our way. Each must be dealt with differently.

# EXODUS 17:4; JOHN 6:5-7

Recognize that some of our problems don't have a human solution. We must take them to God. Only he is able to handle some of them.

#### **EPHESIANS 6:4**

Be careful what you say when you are frustrated.

#### Does God ever cause frustration?

### **JOB 5:12**

God can frustrate the plans of evil people.

### Promise from God: Joshua 1:9

<sup>9</sup>I command you—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

# The Dramatic Philip's role in God's Kingdom

Dramatic Philips can be quite passionate and passionate about God. They are often entertaining and engaging and can draw people to them. As witnesses to God's goodness and graciousness they can make the gospel and Christianity very attractive to many people. As potential spokespersons for Christ they can have a lot of influence over a lot of people for the Kingdom of Heaven. If you want to go further in scripture to understand the Dramatic Philip study first the full armor of God, then, examine the life of Joshua in the Old Testament.

# **God's Armor for Us**

We are engaged in a spiritual battle—all believers find themselves subject to Satan's attacks because they are no longer on Satan's side. Thus, Paul tells us to use every piece of God's armor to resist Satan's attacks and to stand true to God in the midst of those attacks.

Piece of Armor	Use	Application
Belt	Truth	Satan fights with lies, and sometimes his lies sound like truth; but only believers have God's truth, which can defeat Satan's lies.
Body armor	Righteousness	Satan often attacks our heart—the seat of our emotions, self-worth, and trust. God's righteousness is the body armor that protects our heart and ensures his approval. He approves of us because he loves us and sent his Son to die for us.
Shoes	Readiness to spread the Good News	Satan wants us to think that telling others the Good News is a worthless and hopeless task—the size of the task is too big and the negative responses are too much to handle. But the shoes God gives us are the motivation to continue to proclaim the true peace that is available in God—news everyone needs to hear.
Shield	Faith	What we see are Satan's attacks in the form of insults, setbacks, and temptations. But the shield of faith protects us from Satan's fiery arrows. With God's perspective, we can see beyond our circumstances and know that ultimate victory is ours.
Helmet	Salvation	Satan wants to make us doubt God, Jesus, and our salvation. The helmet protects our mind from doubting God's saving work for us.
Sword	Word of God	The sword is the only weapon of <i>offense</i> in this list of armor. There are times when we need to take the offensive against Satan. When we are tempted, we need to trust in the truth of God's Word.

# Joshua

One of the greatest challenges facing leaders is to replace themselves, training others to become leaders. Many outstanding accomplishments have been started by someone with great ability whose life or career ended before the vision became reality. The fulfillment of that dream then became the responsibility of that person's successor. Death is the ultimate deadline for leadership. One of the best tests of our leadership is our willingness and ability to train another for our position.

Moses made an excellent decision when he chose Joshua as his assistant. That choice was later confirmed by God himself when he instructed Moses to commission Joshua as his successor (Numbers 27:15–23). Joshua had played a key role in the exodus from Egypt. Introduced as the field general of Israel's army, he was the only person allowed to accompany Moses partway up the mountain when Moses received the law. Joshua and Caleb were the only 2 among the 12 scouts to bring back an encouraging report after being sent into the Promised Land the first time. Other references show him to have been Moses' constant shadow. His basic training was living with Moses—experiencing firsthand what it meant to lead God's people. This was modeling at its best!

Who is your Moses? Who is your Joshua? You are part of the chain of God's ongoing work in the world. You are modeling yourself after others, and others are patterning their lives after you. How important is God to those you want to be like? Do those who are watching you see God reflected in every area of your life? Ask God to lead you to a trustworthy Moses. Ask him to make you a good Joshua.

#### STRENGTHS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Moses' assistant and successor
- One of only two adults who experienced Egyptian slavery and lived to enter the Promised Land
- Led the Israelites into their God-given homeland
- Brilliant military strategist
- Faithful to ask God's direction in the challenges he faced

#### LESSONS FROM HIS LIFE

- Effective leadership is often the product of good preparation and encouragement
- The persons after whom we pattern ourselves will have a definite effect on us
- ◆ A person committed to God provides the best model for us

#### VITAL STATISTICS

- Where: Egypt, the wilderness of Sinai, and Canaan (the Promised Land)
- Occupations: Special assistant to Moses, warrior, leader
- Relative: Father: Nun
- Contemporaries: Moses, Caleb, Miriam, Aaron

#### **K**EY VERSES

"So Moses did as the LORD commanded and presented Joshua to Eleazar the priest and the whole community. Moses laid his hands on him and commissioned him to his responsibilities, just as the LORD had commanded through Moses" (Numbers 27:22, 23).

Joshua is also mentioned in Exodus 17:9–14; 24:13; 32:17; 33:11; Numbers 11:28; 13; 14; 26:65; 27:18–23; 32:11–12, 28; 34:17; Deuteronomy 1:38; 3:21, 28; 31:3, 7, 14, 23; 34:9; the book of Joshua; Judges 2:6–9; and 1 Kings 16:34.