HOW TO SPEAK
THE LANGUAGE OF VIRTUES

There are usually three elements of a virtues statement:

1) an opening phrase; 2) a virtue; 3) how the virtue is being shown or needs to be shown.

——— To Acknowledge and Thank ———

It was kind of you to help us out.
You were really patient to wait so long.
I see your compassion for her.
I honor you for your courage to face that challenge.
Thank you for being flexible about changing the time.
I appreciate your helpfulness with my boxes.

——— To Guide ———

Please be considerate about the volume of your music.
We need to be respectful by listening to what each person says.
How can we show courtesy when our visitor comes?
What will help you find your courage to meet this challenge?
Please be honest and tell me what is on your mind.

——— To Correct ———

Please be kind.
What would help you to be tactful even when you’re irritated?
What is a respectful way to say that?
You need to be peaceful.
What would be fair to you both?

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