

Are the people in your life authentic, or wearing a disguise?

These Five Disguises are the masks exploitative people wear in order to manipulate and deceive.



PRETENDER: Someone who pretends to be something he or she is not, like a father, a boyfriend, a friend, or a sister.



PROMISER: Someone who promises you great things, like an amazing dream job, a great lifestyle, or travel.



PROVIDER: Someone who offers to take care of your needs for food, clothing, a place to live, etc.



PROTECTOR: Someone who uses physical power or intimidation to protect you (and also control you).



PUNISHER: Someone who uses violence and threats to control you.

PUSH away from negative PULLS

A negative pull is something, or someone, who takes advantage of the vulnerability created by the pushes in your life (such as racism, insecurity, abuse, gangs, addiction, homelessness).

Negative Pulls Wear Disguises.

We all need people who will provide for us, protect us, and keep their promises to us. It's important to discern if someone is genuinely being that person for you, or is wearing a disguise.



Listen to your gut...

You deserve love without strings attached...

Real help does not ask for anything in return...

Pay attention to the words they are saying - anything threatening is not okay.

Questions you can ask yourself:

- What is this person's motivation for being in my life?
- Does this person's behavior and actions match up with the things s/he says?
- Is this person consistent and reliable?



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