

The Wrong Way  
A one-minute play by Peter M. Floyd  
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CAST OF CHARACTERS:

A

B

A

I'm not saying they're wrong.

B

Right.

A

I understand them. I sympathize. They've got a righteous cause.

B

No one could argue with that.

A

No one would. Why would they?

B

They wouldn't.

A

No. What I'm saying is, there's a right way and a wrong way to get what you want. The wrong way is to, you know, to be annoying--

B

Antagonizing--

A

Yes, that's it. If you antagonize people, that's counter-productive.

B

People don't like being antagonized.

A

If they say, hey, you're being a bad person, why would I want to listen to them?

B

Sure.

A

"Hey, you're being, racist, sexist, I don't know, homophobic." Well, now you've lost me.

B

"Hey, you're melting the ice caps."

A

Yeah! Who wants to hear that? I don't.

B

No one would.

A

But if you're respectful, then maybe I'll listen. Maybe then I'll hear what you have to say. And we can go from there.

B

Absolutely. Hey, can I ask you something?

A

Jesus, would you just shut the fuck up?

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