

Resolving Conflict - A Function of Reconciliation



Human Conflict - a result of the Fall

Before the fall:

Adam and Eve were "one flesh" (Gen 2:24)

After the fall:

There was a struggle for control

Gen 3:16 "Your **desire** shall be for your husband, and he shall **rule** over you."

Eph 5:21-23 ESV submitting to one another out of **reverence for Christ**. 22 Wives, submit to your own husbands, **as to the Lord**. 23 For the husband is the head of the wife even as **Christ is the** head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior.

Matthew 5:23-24 So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. **First be reconciled** to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Rom 12:17-18 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is **honorable** in the sight of all.
18 If possible, **so far as it depends on you**, live peaceably with all.

Pro 17:14 The beginning of strife is like letting out water, so **quit** before the quarrel breaks out.

1Co 6:7 ESV To have lawsuits at all with one another is already a defeat for you. Why not rather **suffer wrong**? Why not rather **be defrauded**?

Pro 19:11 Good sense makes one slow to anger, and it is his **glory to overlook an offense**.

Prov 17:9 Whoever **covers** an offense seeks love, but he who repeats a matter **separates** close friends.

Mat 7:5 **first** take the log out of your own eye,
and **then** you will see clearly to take the speck out of
your brother's eye.

Jas 1:19 let every person be quick to **hear**, slow to
speak, slow to **anger**;

Prov 15:31 The ear that **listens to life-giving reproof** will dwell among the wise.

Prov 15:1 A **soft answer** turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Eph 4:32 Be **kind** to one another, **tenderhearted**, **forgiving** one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Prov 20:22 Do not say, 'I will repay evil'; **wait for the Lord**, and he will deliver you.

Rom 12:17-21 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is **honorable** in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but **leave it** to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."

20 To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, **feed** him; if he is thirsty, **give him something to drink**; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but **overcome evil with good.**