## CONFLICT

The Christian life is one of conflict. Being saved does not remove the elements of conflict but it should give us a better way of dealing with it when it comes.

Conflict with evil principles, Conflict with evil men, Conflict with evil spirits

The Bible states that God "... reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation" (2 Corinthians 5:18–19). In Matthew 5:9 Jesus says, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God." Reconciliation and being a peacemaker have to do with helping others have peace with God through Jesus Christ and also helping others live at peace among themselves. But this, is a place we must be to help someone else to get there.

Romans 18:12 then Hebrews 12:14 calls us to "Strive for peace with everyone..." It is clear that God intends His followers to resolve conflicts when they arise. So there are some biblical options for conflict resolution.

Proverbs 19:11 (small offenses) overlook the small stuff

Scripture is clear and gives us away of life if we use it

Proverbs 15:1 A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

Proverbs 15:18A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeareth strife.

Proverbs 16:28A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.

Proverbs 16:7When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him

Proverbs 28:25He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat

Proverbs 10:12Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins