

Finding the Missing PEACE

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Key Verse:

Matthew 5:9 (NIV)

"Happy are the peacemakers, for they will be called the sons of God."

1. Misconceptions About Peacemaking.

A. It's not: _____.

B. It's not: _____.

2. Why Be A Peacemaker?

The Bible Teaches That Unresolved Conflict...

A. Blocks My: _____.

1 John 4:20-21 (NIV)

"If anyone says, 'I love God,' yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen. And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother."

1 John 1:3-4 (NIV)

"We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete."

B. Prevents: _____.

1 Peter 3:7 (NIV)

"Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers."

C. Hinders My: _____.

Job 18:4 (LB)

"You are only hurting yourself with your anger."

3. What Jesus Teaches About Peace Making.

P.E.A.C.E.

Plan: _____.

Matt 5:23-24 (GN)

"If . . . you remember your brother has something against you . . . go at once to make peace . . ."

Empathize: _____.

Phil 2:4 (Ph)

"None of you should think only of his own affairs, but consider other people's interests also."

Attack: _____.

Prov. 15:1 (GN)

"A gentle answer quiets anger but a harsh one stirs it up."

Eph. 4:29 (GN)

"Do not use harmful words, but only helpful words, the kind that build up and provide what is needed. . ."

Cooperate: _____.

Rom 12:18 (GN)

"Do everything possible on your part, to live at peace with all men."

James 3:17 (LB)

". . . Peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of goodness."

Emphasize: _____.

2 Cor. 5:18 (NIV)

". . . God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gives us the ministry of reconciliation."

Col 3:15 (NIV)

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts."

ANSWER KEY: Reconciliation not Resolution
Avoiding, Appeasement, Fellowship with God, Answered Prayer, Happiness, A peace conference, with their feelings, The problem not the person, As much as possible.