



Win at Home & Succeed in Life
Week 3: Resolving Conflict God's Way
Sermon Notes

James 1:19 CSB

¹⁹My dear brothers and sisters, understand this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger,

Matthew 18:15 CSB

¹⁵"If your brother sins against you, go and rebuke him in private. If he listens to you, you have won your brother.

Hebrews 12:14 CSB

¹⁴Pursue peace with everyone, and holiness – without it no one will see the Lord.

1 Samuel 24:1-7 CSB

When Saul returned from pursuing the Philistines, he was told, "David is in the wilderness near En-gedi." 2 So Saul took three thousand of Israel's fit young men and went to look for David and his men in front of the Rocks of the Wild Goats. 3 When Saul came to the sheep pens along the road, a cave was there, and he went in to relieve himself. David and his men were staying in the recesses of the cave, 4 so they said to him, "Look, this is the day the Lord told you about: 'I will hand your enemy over to you so you can do to him whatever you desire.'" Then David got up and secretly cut off the corner of Saul's robe. 5 Afterward, David's conscience bothered him because he had cut off the corner of Saul's robe. 6 He said to his men, "As the Lord is my witness, I would never do such a thing to my lord, the Lord's anointed. I will never lift my hand against him, since he is the Lord's anointed." 7 With these words David persuaded his men, and he did not let them rise up against Saul.

David paid attention to the tension.

1 Chronicles 16:22 CSB

"Do not touch my anointed ones or harm my prophets."

Matthew 5:9 NIV

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.'

A peacekeeper is not the same as a peacemaker.

Point 1: Hear both sides: James 1:19

James 1:19 (CSB)

My dear brothers and sisters, understand this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger.

Reacting versus responding.

- Quick to listen.
- Slow to speak.
- Slow to anger.

Psalms 119:9-11 (CSB)

How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping your word. I have sought you with all my heart; don't let me wander from your commands. I have treasured your word in my heart so that I may not sin against you.

In a healthy relationship, both sides matter.

Point 2: State your Case: Matthew 18:15

Matthew 18:15 CSB

If your brother sins against you, go tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won your brother.

We are to initiate healing.

Proverbs 27:17 CSB

Iron sharpens iron, and one person sharpens another.

When we confront one another in love with the goal of restoration, we make each other better and more like Christ.

Point 3: Pursue Peace and Holiness: Hebrews 12:14

Hebrews 12:14 CSB

Pursue peace with everyone, and holiness—without it no one will see the Lord.

Pursue:

- to run swiftly in order to catch a person or thing, to run after.
- to press on.

The Spirit of God within us compels us to reflect the very nature of God in our relationship conflict.

1 John 4:19

We love because he first loved us.

God took the initiative-we have to accept the invitation.

Glorify God in all you do.

1 Corinthians 10:31 CSB

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.