

Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.

Romans 12:18 NLT

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

Psalms 133:1b NIV

In many things we offend all.

James 3:2a KJV

Now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, dividing wall of hostility.

Ephesians 2:13-14 NIV

Winning in Conflict Means . . .

1. Fighting for good.

From now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.

2 Corinthians 5:16 NIV

A servant of the Lord must not quarrel but must be kind to everyone.

2 Timothy 2:24a NLT

2. Owing my part.

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.

James 5:16a ESV

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV

"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness.

1 Peter 2:24a NIV

3. Finding the common ground.

Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.

Ephesians 2:16 NLT

All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:18 NIV

4. Remembering the results.

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:19 NIV

We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne.

Hebrews 12:2 NLT

Weekend Music:

Enter The Gates (Brian & Katie Torwalt) • God I Look To You (Jenn Johnson)
Sing His Name (Vineyard Worship)