



How to use Talk It Over:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with the key questions, add any optional scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps. You can use this study guide with your small group, your family, or on your own.

Main Idea:

Peacemakers tell the truth in love, apologize when wrong, and forgive and let go.

Key Questions:

- What's one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this idea grab your attention?
- Are you more of a peacekeeper or a peacemaker in your family? Explain.
- What steps might you need to take to become a stronger peacemaker in your family?

Optional Questions: If needed, include one or more of these scriptures and questions to extend your conversation.

- With your Bible or YouVersion, read and discuss Romans 12:17-21, Ephesians 4:15, James 5:16, and Colossians 3:13.
- What things most often cause conflicts in your family? How well have you handled these conflicts?
- Describe a time when you told the truth in love by confronting the issue and not the person. What did you learn from your experience?
- "You never look more like God than when you forgive." Is there someone that you need to forgive? If so, what's your next step toward forgiveness?
- Why do think so many families into today's world have accepted conflict as a regular part of life?

Next Steps:

- What's one thing you will do this week to help you become a stronger peacemaker in your home?

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Become a stronger peacemaker in your family by reading and talking over the following Bible passages this week.

Day 1: Matthew 5:9

Day 2: Romans 12:9-21

Day 3: Ephesians 4:14-16

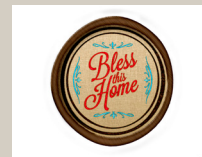
Day 4: James 5:13-16

Day 5: Colossians 3:12-17

Day 6: Ephesians 4:25-32

Day 7: Matthew 5:21-26

RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES



During this series, we encourage you and your family to take advantage of the free resources available under the Family and Children sections of <https://redeermmq.org/resources>. You will find links to other weeks of Talk It Over, the Bless This Home Family Activity Guide that features fun activity ideas you can do with the entire family, and weekly Sunday school lessons.

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