



## January 28, 2024 – Sermon Discussion Questions

### ICEBREAKER

1. Do highs and lows from the last week!
2. How do you typically handle conflict situations at home? What about at work or outside of your home?
3. Finish this sentence: For me, the hardest thing about handling conflicts with others is...

### DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

Review the message –

1. Experiencing conflict with others is inevitable, even among Christians. Jesus knew that, and we should, too.
2. As Christians, God calls us to handle our conflicts with one another differently. He wants us to model the humility and forgiveness Christ demonstrated through His death on the cross.
3. Managing our conflicts in the way God desires shows that we put His wisdom above the world's wisdom, and it points others to Christ.

Read 1 Corinthians 6:1-7, 11

1. Why does Paul say believers should not take their disagreements with one another to court?
2. Why would Paul consider a lawsuit among believers a sign of defeat?
3. In verse 11, Paul reminds us that as believers, we have been washed clean from our sins, set apart by God [sanctified], and made right in His presence [justified]. How should knowing this affect the way we manage conflicts with fellow believers?

Read Proverbs 19:11, Psalm 34:14, Ephesians 4:32, 1 Peter 3: 8-11

1. Assign or ask for volunteers to read the passages listed. Before you read the verses, consider the following questions:
2. What are some specific actions these verses direct us to take to manage conflicts?
3. What actions come more naturally to you, and which ones require more effort?

### CLOSING

1. How do you plan to apply God's model for handling conflict to a situation you are currently experiencing? Who might you share this plan with for an added layer of accountability?
2. Pray