MODERN FAMILY

Internal Challenges

1 Corinthians 13

Progression of Conflict

Conflict = A difference in <u>opinion</u> or <u>purpose</u> that frustrates someone's <u>goals</u> or <u>desires</u>.

I Desire

I Demand

I Judge

I Punish

Biblical Peacemaking (Four G's)

Glorify God (1 Corinthians 10:31) How can I please and honor God in this situation?

Get the Log Out (Matthew 7:5) How have I contributed to the conflict and what do I need to do?

Gently Restore (Matthew 7:5)

How can I help others <u>understand</u> how they have contributed to the conflict?

Go and Be Reconciled (Colossians 3:13)

How can I demonstrate <u>forgiveness</u> and encourage a responsible solution?

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My Application

- 1. Read Colossians 1:19-20, Romans 12:18 and Isaiah 32:17. What do these passages say about peace? Who are we to be at peace with according to these passages?
- 2. What Slippery Slope response did God model while resolving mankind's conflict with Him? Which of the Four G's did He model?
- 3. What responses on the Slippery Slope come most naturally to you? Why? How do your responses usually affect the people around you?
- 4. Which of the Four G's do you do most naturally? Least naturally? How would your response change if you really saw conflict as an opportunity to glorify God?



Memory Verse

"If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."

Romans 12:18