

7 Steps to Conflict Resolution

Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called Sons of God – Matthew 5:9

- Make the first move
- Ask God for Wisdom
- Begin with “What’s My Fault”?
- Listen for their hurt and perspective
- Speak the truth, tactfully
- Fix the problem, not the blame
- Focus on Reconciliation, not resolution

LORD, in the world we live, our communities are decaying. Please don’t let me simply be a complainer about this, but rather, a healer who offers solutions. Help my involvement in my community demonstrate Christlikeness. Help me to follow in Christ’s footsteps and bring help to others as He did. May I bring unity where there is division. May I actively condemn wrong and promote what is right.

May my presence in my community be wholesome and uplifting and strengthening so others are inspired to make positive contributions as well. May my family have this kind of influence too. May we all serve in ways which build bridges to cross racial, denominational, social, and cultural lines. May my neighborhoods not simply be a place where I live, but where I’m involved and am powerful force for change. May my presence make a real difference for unity among people, and may I make time to do the things which will forge oneness.

Give me wisdom on how to best use my time, and my family’s time, for the well-being, stability, harmony, and improvement of the community I seek to serve, in Jesus Christ’ name, Amen.