

A BIBLICAL GUIDE TO RESOLVING PERSONAL CONFLICT

Step	Commentary	Scriptural References	Personal Comments
<p><u>Step 1</u></p> <p>Glorify God</p>	<p><i>Instead of focusing on your own desires or dwellings on what others may do, you should seek to please and honor God—by depending on his wisdom, power, and love; by living in His grace and mercy; by faithfully obeying his commands; and by seeking to maintain a loving, merciful, and forgiving attitude.</i></p>	<p>Psalm 37:1-6 Mark 11:25 John 14:15 Rom. 12:17-21 1 Corinthians 10:31 Phil. 4:2-9 Col. 3:1-4 James 3:17-18 James 4:1-3 1 Peter 2:12</p>	
<p><u>Step 2</u></p> <p>Get the Log out of Your Own Eye</p>	<p><i>Instead of attacking others or dwelling on their wrongs, you should take responsibility for your own contribution to conflicts—confessing your sins, asking God to help you change any attitudes and habits that lead to conflict, and seeking to repair any harm you have caused.</i></p>	<p>Proverbs 28:13 Matthew 7:3-5 Luke 19:8 Colossians 3:5-14 1 John 1:8-9</p>	
<p><u>Step 3</u></p> <p>Go and Show Your Brother/Sister His/Her Fault</p>	<p><i>Instead of pretending that conflict doesn't exist or talking about others behind their backs, you should choose to overlook minor offenses or you should talk directly and graciously with those whose offenses seem to serious to overlook. When a conflict with another Christian cannot be resolved in private, you can ask others in the body of Christ to help settle the matter in a Biblical manner.</i></p>	<p>Proverbs 19:11 Matthew 18:15-20 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 Galatians 6:1-2 Ephesians 4:29 2 Timothy 2:24-26 James 5:9</p>	
<p><u>Step 4</u></p> <p>Go and Be Reconciled</p>	<p><i>Instead of accepting premature compromise or allowing relationships to wither, you should actively pursue genuine peace and reconciliation—forgiving others as God, for Christ's sake, has forgiven you, and seeking just and mutually beneficial solutions to your differences.</i></p>	<p>Matthew 5:23-24 Matthew 6:12 Matthew 7:12 Ephesians 4:1-3 Ephesians 4:32 Philippians 2:3-4</p>	