

THE NECESSITY OF CONFLICT

MATTHEW 10:34 “*Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. 35 For I have come to ‘set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’; 36 and ‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’*

I. NO CONFLICT, NO HONESTY v.34

- Christ came to give us peace with God, peace in our consciences, peace with our brethren, but in the world you shall have tribulation.
- They mistake the design of the gospel, who think their profession of it will secure them from, for it will certainly expose them to, trouble in this world.
- The sword is the word, the sword is that of persecution

II. CONFLICT IS NECESSARY BECAUSE GOD WANTS US TO CONTRIBUTE A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE v.35

- Learning to engage in productive conflict is a necessary part of being in relationship
- We cannot be afraid of conflict, truth demands that we speak honestly with each other. Not to hurt them with the truth, but because we love them speak honestly in love.
- As the body of Christ we cannot remain silent to "preserve the peace".
- **HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS DO NOT FALL APART IN THE PRESENCE OF CONFLICT**

III. CONFLICT IS NECESSARY BECAUSE WITHOUT IT, WE WILL LACK THE RESILIENCY TO ADAPT.

MATTHEW 18:15 “*Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. 16 But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that ‘by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.’ 17 And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector.*

- **HEALTHY RESPONSES TO CONFLICT**
- **KEEP THE CONFLICT BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU FIRST**
- **REMAIN CALM**
- **BE READY TO FORGIVE AND FORGET**
- **BELIEVE THAT CONFLICT IS THE BEST FOR BOTH SIDES**

LA NECESIDAD DEL CONFLICTO

MATEO 10: 34 »No penséis que he venido a traer paz a la tierra; no he venido a traer paz, sino espada, 35 porque he venido a poner en enemistad al hombre contra su padre, a la hija contra su madre y a la nuera contra su suegra. 36 Así que los enemigos del hombre serán los de su casa.

I. SIN CONFLICTO, SIN HONESTIDAD v.34

- Cristo vino para darnos paz con Dios, paz en nuestras conciencias, paz con nuestros hermanos, pero en el mundo tendrás tribulación.
- Confunden el diseño del evangelio, quienes piensan que su profesión los protegerá de los problemas en este mundo, porque ciertamente los expondrá a problemas en este mundo.
- La espada es la palabra, la espada es la de la persecución.

II. EL CONFLICTO ES NECESARIO PORQUE DIOS QUIERE QUE APORTEMOS UNA PERSPECTIVA DIFERENTE v.35

- Aprender a participar en conflictos productivos es una parte necesaria de la relación
- No podemos tener miedo al conflicto, la verdad exige que hablemos honestamente unos con otros. No para herirlos con la verdad, sino porque los amamos, hablar honestamente en el amor.
- Como cuerpo de Cristo no podemos permanecer en silencio para "preservar la paz".
- LAS RELACIONES SALUDABLES NO SE DESMORONAN EN PRESENCIA DE CONFLICTO

III. EL CONFLICTO NOS AYUDA DESARROLLAR LA RESILIENCIA QUE NECESITAMOS PARA ADAPTARNOS.

MATEO 18: 15 »Por tanto, si tu hermano peca contra ti, ve y repréndelo estando tú y él solos; si te oye, has ganado a tu hermano. 16 Pero si no te oye, toma aún contigo a uno o dos, para que en boca de dos o tres testigos conste toda palabra.

- RESPUESTAS SALUDABLES AL CONFLICTO
- MANTENGA EL CONFLICTO ENTRE USTEDES DOS PRIMERO
- MANTÉN LA CALMA
- ESTAR LISTO PARA PERDONAR Y OLVIDAR
- CREER QUE EL CONFLICTO ES LO MEJOR PARA AMBAS PARTES