



Joshua Chapter 22

An “Altar-cation” A Case Study in Biblical Conflict Resolution

When confronting....

- I. When confronting, we must be willing to _____ with the issue, even in the most _____ way if necessary (Joshua 22:12; Proverbs 19:11; Matthew 18:15-17; Titus 3:10-11).
- II. When confronting, we must be sure we have all the _____ not just rely on rumors, hearsay & assumptions (Joshua 22:13-14; Proverbs 18:13 & 17).
- III. When confronting, we must allow our _____ to do a _____, not just have a mob mentality (Joshua 22:13-14).
- IV. When confronting, we must encourage people to _____ the _____ not merely _____ to our _____ (Joshua 22:16).
- V. When confronting, we must understand that accepting _____ sin amongst us brings _____ upon all of us, so we must deal with this (Joshua 22:17-20).
- VI. When confronting, we must be willing to _____ our resources to help _____ the situation (Joshua 22:19).

When confronted....

- I. When confronted, we should graciously _____ to the other side's perspective even if they have _____ us (Joshua. 22:21).
- II. When confronted, we should make sure our _____ is _____ before the Lord (Joshua 22:22; 1 Corinthians 4:4).
- III. When confronted, we should be willing to be _____ if we have _____ (Joshua 22:22-23; James 5:20).
- IV. When confronted, we should explain our _____ & _____ clearly (Joshua 22:24-29; Proverbs 15:1).

When it's all completed....

- I. When completed, we should _____ the Lord for bringing His _____ (Joshua 22:30 & 31).
- II. When completed, we should let others know that the issue is resolved _____, _____ & _____ (Joshua 22:32a).
- III. When completed, we should let the issue _____ (Joshua 22:33).
- IV. When completed, we should fully accept our _____ brothers & sisters in the unity we have in Christ (Joshua 22:34).

Additional Notes:



Diving Deeper in Scripture Together

Questions for Discussion & Reflection

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1. Can you think of a time in your life, in literature, history, or movies when noble intentions led to questionable actions and produced altercations?
2. What does Joshua 22 teach us to do when confronting sin or conflict?
3. What is the difference between a “peacemaker,” a “peacefaker,” and a “peacebreaker” (Ken Sande)? Which one most often describes you?
4. Do you often struggle with avoiding conflict? Or over reacting to conflict? How can you embrace the biblical method of *peacemaking*?
5. Read Proverbs 18:13 & 17. How would these verses have helped the Israelites in their conflict?
6. Where is the line between biblical knowledge for conflict resolution and unbiblical sharing of knowledge, which is gossip? What difference does it make whether the person involved has a position of authority?
7. What lessons do we need to remember when confronting a problem?
8. What lessons do we need to remember when being confronted?
9. When someone addresses an issue in your life, how do you respond? Are you able to respond in the manner described in these passages?
10. What lessons do we need to remember when conflict has been resolved?