

Getting Along with Others Discussion Questions

Philippians 4:2-3

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1. How do you contribute to conflict? How do others contribute to conflict? How does the world contribute to conflict? How does the devil contribute to conflict?
2. Why should conflict be dealt with right away? Since we know this, why do we tend to avoid dealing with it or put it off? Why don't we want to be the first person to make a move toward reconciliation? What emotions come into play in this?
3. How have you seen conflict derail God's work or even destroy it?
4. Why can't we fully rejoice in the Lord if we are in conflict with someone else?
5. When there is conflict between two people, each person has a responsibility in the conflict. Why is it important for us to see our responsibility for our part of the conflict? Why is it hard for us to see and admit to our part?
6. How can we have unity if we don't agree with everything? Does unity mean that we must agree with everything? Why or why not?
7. How do we learn to have a good relationship with someone with whom we don't agree?
8. Have you ever asked for help when you when in conflict with someone? Why or why not? If so, how did it help? If not, how did you get over the conflict?
9. How can someone else outside of the conflict help two people to resolve their conflict?
10. How does focusing on a common enemy help to bring two groups of people together to defeat the enemy? How can this work for us as Christians? Who is our enemy?
11. How does conflict affect those around us? How have you been affected by other people's conflict?
12. How does focusing on our future in Heaven help us to deal with conflict on earth?
13. How do we sow peace? How do we guard our peace once we have it?
14. How are you going to use the pledge from Ken Sande's book "The Peacemaker? How will you glorify God? What "log" do you have in your eye? Who do you need to restore a relationship with? Who do you need to forgive so you can be reconciled with that person?
15. Are you using your evangelistic ammo to destroy Christians or to fight Satan's attacks? How do you know which you are doing?