

#### **Wise Responses to Conflict**

Proverbs 17:1-28
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# **Dangers of Relational Conflict**

- Relationships full of conflict undermine gatherings full of celebration. (17:1)
- A small conflict can get out of control quickly and do a lot of damage. (17:14)
- Unresolved conflict can destroy friendships. (17:9)
- God threatens judgment on those who are characterized by conflict. (17:11, 19)

# **Ways to Pursue Relational Peace**

- Be slow to speak. (17:27, 28)
- Be slow to anger. (17:27)
- Be quick to cover offenses. (17:9)
  - Not every offense can or should be covered. (17:10, 15, 26)
  - A lot more offenses probably can and should be covered than we are tempted to think.
  - Covering offenses isn't passively avoiding conflict, it's actively deciding to forgive.
- Remember the gospel.

# Welcome to Cross Fellowship Church!

We are grateful that you have come to worship with us today and pray that you feel welcome. If you have any questions about our church, the service, sermon or anything else, we would love to talk to you! Stop by the Welcome Table in the lobby or talk to one of the elders. We also encourage you to complete a Visitor Information Card at the Welcome Table or online at crossfellowshipchurch.org/connect.

## **Order of Service**

Call to Worship: Psalm 150

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 59:1-2; Isaiah 53:5-6

"Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"

"Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

Introduction of New Members, Reading Covenant, and Prayer

**Sermon**: Proverbs 17 "Jesus, Only Jesus"

Partaking of the Lord's Supper

**Prayer and Benediction** 

## **Announcements**

#### **Church Picnic**

Today / 12-2 p.m. / Franklin Park

Join us for our church picnic today. The church will provide the main dish and drinks. DCs will provide sides and desserts. Bring lawn/outdoors games to share!

#### **Prayer Gathering**

Sunday, Oct. 10 / 4-5:30 p.m. / DoubleTree

Make plans to join us for our next church-wide Prayer Gathering. During our time together, we'll pray for one another and our church, and hear specific testimonies of how God is at work in the lives of some of our members.

#### **Exploring Membership Class**

Sundays, Oct. 17 and 24 / 12-2:30 p.m. / DoubleTree

Are you interested in membership at CFC, or would you simply like to learn more about our church? This two-part class outlines our church's core beliefs, values, and vision, how we seek to live these out in our church, and the process and requirements for membership. Lunch will be provided. Sign up at crossfellowshipchurch.org/membership.

#### **Elders**

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#### **Discipleship Communities**

Our Discipleship Communities (DCs) provide leadership, community, encouragement, and accountability as we live as disciples who love God supremely, one another humbly, and the world sacrificially. For more information or to join a DC, visit crossfellowshipchurch.org/dc.

#### Children's Ministry

Our children's ministry exists to help accomplish our church's mission to glorify God by making disciples of all nations. Two children's classes are offered during the worship gathering as a way to walk alongside parents in teaching children about the good news of Jesus.

Toddler room: ages 1-2Pre-K room: ages 3-4

## **Offering**

Thank you for your generosity!
There are a few ways you can give:

- Place your gift in the offering box in the back of the room.
- Give through the Church Center app (iPhone and Android).
- Give online or see other giving options at crossfellowship church.org/give (or scan the QR code).





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