

Part 16: Joyful Resolution

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We are to Seek Peace With All

Romans 12:18 (ESV)-If possible, so far as it depends on you, <u>live</u> peaceably with all.

Peace is Not Possible With All

Philippians 3:18 (ESV)- For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ.

Peace Breakers

Romans 16:17 (ESV) I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them.

Peace Fakers

Romans 16:18b (ESV) and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive...but I want you to be wise as to what is good and innocent as to what is evil.

Study Verse Section

Philippians 3:17-4:1 (ESV)- I entreat (παρακαλέω) urge, implore same word for encouragement Eudoia and I entreat Syntyche to agree (φρονέω) set your mind on in the Lord. Yes, I ask you also, true companion, (φρονέω) "yokefellow" help (συλλαμβάνω) seize; grab hold of these women, who have labored (συναθλέω) struggled alongside side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, (συνεργός) our word synergy whose names are in the book of life.

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Peacemakers

1. EQUALLY TAKE OWNERSHIP

Philippians 4:2a (ESV)-<u>I entreat Euodia</u> and <u>I entreat Syntyche</u> to agree in the Lord..

James 4:1 (ESV)-What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you?

2. CHECK FOCUS

Philippians 4:2a (ESV)- I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord..

Philippians 2:1 (ESV)- complete my joy by being of the <u>same mind</u>, <u>having the same love</u>, being in full accord and of one mind.

3. ALLOW OTHERS TO HELP

Philippians 4:3a (ESV)-Yes, I ask you also, true companion, <u>help these women</u>

Matthew 18:16a (ESV)-But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you...

4. SEE OTHERS BIBLICALLY

Philippians 4:2-3 (ESV)- Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Philippians 2:14-15 (ESV)- Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, <u>children of God</u> without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation...

Here is the Point: We should strive to be peacemakers!

Practical Tips In Peacemaking

Seek to <u>understand</u> before seeking to be <u>understood</u>.

Define the issues.

Practice active listening.

Overlook minor offenses.

Seek to <u>do</u> right more than <u>be</u> right.

Allow time for reconciliation.

