



Introduction:

- Conflict is a part of every marriage and every relationship. But how we deal with it will determine the level of fulfillment and satisfaction we experience.
- When conflict arises, we must remember to:

1. _____ God

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31)

You can glorify God (make him recognizable) by:

- _____ Him Proverbs 3:4-6
- _____ Him John 14:15
- _____ Him Ephesians 5:1

2. _____ the log out of your own eye

You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye. Matthew 7:5

Understand the _____ of conflict (James 4:1-4)

Desire –

Demand –

Judgment –

Punishment –

Idols always demand sacrifices. When others fail to satisfy our demands and expectations, our idols demand that they should suffer. This punishment can take many forms. Sometimes we react in overt anger, or lashing out with hurtful words to inflict pain on those who fail to meet our expectations. When we do so, we are essentially placing others on the altar of our idol and sacrificing them, not with a pagan knife, but with the sharp edge of our tongue. Only when they give in to our desire and give us what we want will we stop inflicting pain upon them.

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3. _____ and be reconciled

Leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift. Matthew 5:24

- How to confess your wrong to the other party:

- _____ everyone involved
- _____ specific sinful attitudes and actions
- _____ the hurt it has caused
- _____ the consequences
- _____ your behavior starting now
- _____ for forgiveness

4. _____ restore

If someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. Galatians 6:1

Conclusion:

Forgiveness promises:

- I will not _____ on this incident.
- I will not _____ this incident again or use it against you.
- I will not _____ about this incident.
- I will not let this incident _____.