

Jesus MOVEMENT



SERMON NOTES

July 21, 2024

Speaker: Dr. Brian Bennett

Jesus Movement: “Resolving Conflict”

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Resolving conflict requires identifying the _____.
[Acts 15:1-5; Galatians 1:1-7]

Resolving conflict requires working the _____.
[Acts 15:6-21; 1 Corinthians 6:12]

- A Biblical process for resolving conflict:
 - Go to the source (Matthew 18:15-17)
 - Speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15)
 - Be timely (Matthew 5:23-24)
 - Accept assistance (Proverbs 15:22)
 - Yield for the benefit of others (Philippians 2:3-4)

Resolving conflict requires leaning into _____.
[Acts 15:22-35]

Resolving conflict requires focusing on the _____.
[Acts 15:36-41; John 13:35; John 17:23]

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Next Step Questions:

- Are you at peace with Jesus and/or with others?
- Will you work the process and live as a peacemaker?
- Do you need to refocus on the bigger goals God has for your life and our church?

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Pathway Group Discussion Questions:

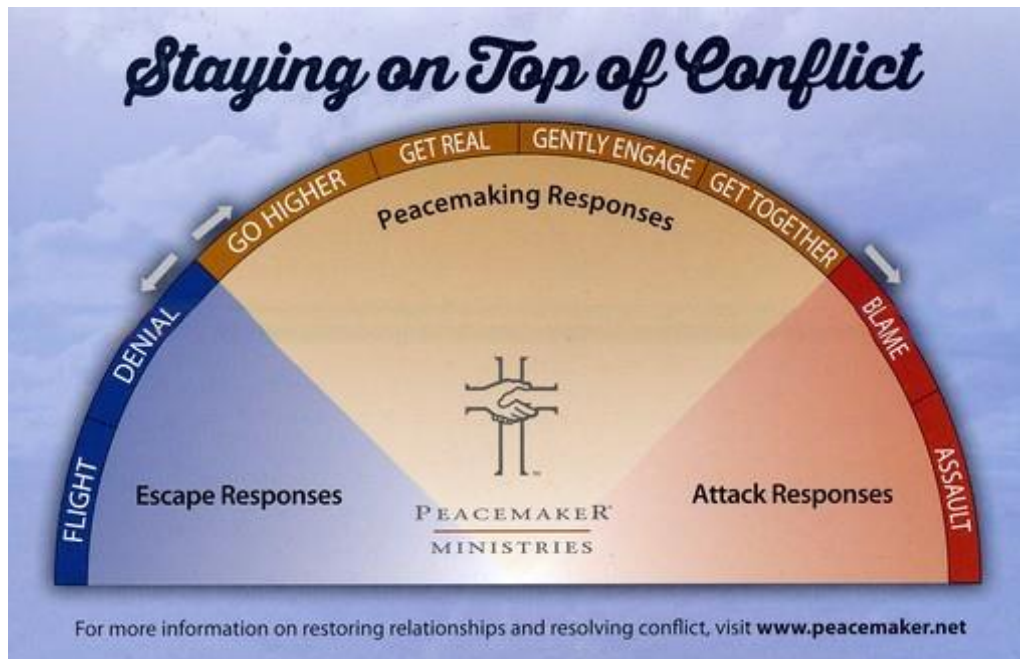
Note: 1, 8-9 are general questions asked at Pathway weekly.

1. How is God at work in and around your life?
2. Pastor Brian said, “conflict happens, but peacemaking is a choice”. Do you agree? Explain.
3. Read Acts 15:1-5. What was the primary conflict unfolding in the early church between Jews and Gentiles?
4. Pastor Brian shared about the “three buckets” (red, yellow, and green). How does this help frame the conflict in Acts 15 and even help us frame our conflicts and priorities today?
5. In Acts 15:6-21 the early church “works the process” to resolve the conflict. Read the five principles (and corresponding verses) below to “a Biblical process for resolving conflict”. Which steps challenge and/or encourage you to today (see below):
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6. Pastor Brian Read Acts 15:30-35 and shared that “resolving conflict requires leaning into peacemaking”. Discuss this concept and the diagram below:



Note for group leaders: if you need additional support or resources due to the depth of the verses and topics covered don't hesitate to reach out: zorom@pathwayvb.com

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July 7 – 13 , 2024

FINANCIALS

\$25,465 down 22.8% to budget for W/E 7/13/24

\$1,007,976 down 4.6% to budget for Year to Date

-\$6,659 Net Revenue after including other income through June 2024

\$115,422 for Missions or 11.2% of General Giving YTD through June 2024

CONNECT

Total Worship Attendance: 762

Online: 107

TWC Attendance Sunday: 551

Kids Sunday: 104

Students: 0

GROW

Baptisms (YTD): 44

Discipleship Groups: 65

Salvations (YTD): 68

SERVE

People Fed at Food Pantry: 46

Weekly Volunteers: 88