Sermon Notes for Sunday, August 27, 2023

- 9 Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed.
- 10 If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble.

(Ecclesiastes 4:7-12 NLT)

- **Step #1** Take the initiative
- **Step #2 Confess your part of the conflict**
- Step #3 You Listen for the Hurt

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Philippians 2:4-5 NIV

"Each of you should <u>look not only to your own</u>
<u>interests</u> but also to the interests of others. Your
attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus."

- 1) Jesus had every right to be hurt. Matthew 26:31-35 (NLT)
- 2) Peter denied ever knowing Jesus. **Matthew 26:69-75 (NLT)**
- 3) Jesus invites Peter to lunch **John 21:7-17 (NLT)**

Step	5	

Ephesians 4:15 (NLT)

"Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church."

- 1) Jesus tells Peter the truth John 21:18-22 (NLT)
- 2) Never use truth as a weapon **Proverbs 12:18 (NIV)**
- 3) Ways in which people receive the truth wrapped in love.

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B)	 Romans 16:17-18 (NLT)
C)	Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

4) Jesus never used harmful or disrespectful words toward Peter **Ephesians 4:29 (GNT)**

Step	#6	

Galatians 6:1, 3

1 Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself.

3 If you think you are too important to help someone, you are only fooling yourself. You are not that important.

- 1) The Blame Games often uses Hurtful words
 - A) "Weapons of Mass destruction" WMD Proverbs 18:21 (NIV)
 - B) Agree to some ground rules when resolving conflict **Colossians 3:8-9 (NLT)**

Step #7	

- 1) "Reconciliation" = Reestablishes the Relationship
- 2) "Resolution" = Resolve the Issue or Problem
- 3) In conflict resolution, wisdom must accompany knowledge—**Proverbs**3:13-14
- 4) Jesus was a bridge building because He understood that we're stronger together **Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NLT)**