

# FAMILY LIFE SERIES: Restoring Family Relationships!

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*Strengthening resolve to trust God and empowering prosperous living built on intimate relationship with God*

**Reconciliation - the restoration of friendly relations; harmonization; the action of making [my] view or belief compatible with [God's]**

## Choosing whom to love \_\_\_\_\_

- God has \_\_\_\_\_ me to love

*“Love others in the same way you love yourself.” Mark 12:31 (MSG)*

- **Even If** I love myself, I may not love others as I should due to \_\_\_\_\_ conflict

## I must \_\_\_\_\_ to resolve conflicts because \_\_\_\_\_

*God has done all this. He has restored our relationship with him through Christ, **and has given us this ministry** of restoring relationships. 2 Corinthians 5:18 (GW)*

God not only command this act of service, but reminds why we should desire to do it:

*Lay aside bitter words, temper tantrums, revenge, profanity, and insults. But instead be kind and affectionate toward one another. Has God graciously forgiven you? Then graciously forgive one another in the depths of Christ's love. Ephesians 4:31-32 (TPT)*

## 7 steps to restoring family relationships (steps 1-3)

### 1. Pray and talk to God \_\_\_\_\_

- God is strong enough to handle my emotions...my family may not be
- Some of my unmet needs can only be satisfied by God

### 2. Personally \_\_\_\_\_

- I must prioritize reconciliation...even above \_\_\_\_\_

*“So if you are standing before the altar in the Temple, offering a sacrifice to God, and suddenly remember that a friend has something against you, leave your sacrifice there beside the altar and go and apologize and be reconciled to him, and then come and offer your sacrifice to God.” Matthew 5:23-24 (TLB)*

### 3. Practice \_\_\_\_\_

- I do not need to be able to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ with their feelings
- I want to recognize and acknowledge their feelings

*Don't let selfishness and prideful agendas take over. Embrace **true humility**, and lift your heads to extend love to others. Get beyond yourselves and protecting your own interests; be sincere, and secure your neighbors' interests first. In other words, adopt the mind-set of Jesus the Anointed. Live with His attitude in your hearts. Remember:*

*Though He was in the form of God,  
He chose not to cling to equality with God;  
But He poured Himself out to fill a vessel brand new;  
a servant in form and a man indeed.*

*The very likeness of humanity,  
He humbled Himself, obedient to death—  
a merciless death on the cross!*

*Philippians 2:3-8 (VOICE)*