



Resolving Everyday Conflict - Discussion Guide

Session 4: Acknowledge God in ALL Your Ways

Passage: Proverbs 3:5-8

Introduction: In this fourth session we will explore where pursuing peace in our relationships begins. Instead of being enslaved to our sinful patterns of attacking or escaping, this passage reveals that first and foremost the Gospel empowers us to bring God into our situation.



Into the Word

What does it mean to “acknowledge” God? What’s the difference between knowing God and knowing about God in the midst of conflict? **(pg. 46)**

Note: The word translated “acknowledge” means to have a close relationship.

Consider: Jeremiah 9:24

Read Exodus 34:6-7 Which aspects of God’s character stand out to you the most? How might knowing God’s character affect how we approach conflict?

Describe “trust in the LORD” based on this passage? **(pg. 50)**

Note: Proverbs uses parallelism where lines inform, contrast, or expand one another.

Consider: 1 Peter 5:6-7

What promises does God give to those who will bring him into their situation? How do we see these promises fulfilled in Jesus? **(pg. 51)**

Consider: 1 Peter 2:21-24



Into the Heart

Where does our mind tend to go in the midst of conflict? How might ignoring God affect the way we approach conflict?

How can we trust ourselves more than the LORD in the midst of conflict? **(pg. 49)**

Consider: v. 5, 7

Note: We will always place our trust in someone or something.



Into the World

Read Proverbs 19:11 What’s the difference between overlooking an offense and trying to escape? When is overlooking an offense an appropriate response? **(pg. 53)**

Consider: 1 Peter 4:8

Are you finding it difficult to trust God in any specific relationships? Why?

Note: Try to appropriately incorporate this into your time of prayer.

Additional Resources:

