

## **How to Biblically Deal with Conflict in the Home**

How do you typically handle an upsetting situation (i.e. when things don't go your way)? What is a typical response for you in an aggravating situation? What is your default response when things don't go the way you want them to? Do things "disintegrate" rapidly in your responses? How is your self-control?

❖ *1 Thessalonians 5:13b-15 ...Be at peace among yourselves. <sup>14</sup> Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men. <sup>15</sup> See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.*

⇒ There are 2 types of conflict in this world. Conflict due to:

1. Circumstances and
2. Living in a world full of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ people

There are three steps to deal with conflict in the home:

### **I. Stay\_\_\_\_\_**

⇒ Bible References

⇒ The Blessing of Being Low

II. Keep \_\_\_\_\_ & your \_\_\_\_\_ Down

III. \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord and keep \_\_\_\_\_ your situation to Him

❖ *1 Peter 2:18-23 Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the forward [unreasonable]. <sup>19</sup> For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. <sup>20</sup> For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? **but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.***

*<sup>21</sup> For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: <sup>22</sup> Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: <sup>23</sup> **Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:***

❖ *1 Peter 4:19 Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.*

⇒ Trust Him with it. Commit it to Him. Cast it on Him.

- ❖ *Psalm 37:3-5 Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. <sup>4</sup> Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. <sup>5</sup> Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.*
- ❖ *Psalm 55:22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.*
- ❖ *Proverbs 16:3 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.*
- ❖ *Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.*
- ❖ *Psalm 138:3 **In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul.***