



# SUN GROVE CHURCH

## Relational Revolution Healthy Conflict

### Conflict is Inevitable

Conflict is almost always necessary if relationships are to grow and mature.

- Jeremiah 6:14

### Conflict Choice #1 - False Peace

The problem with this false peace is that we put off difficult issues and problems to keep everything stable and serene, but in the end, we never experience true peace!

- Matthew 5:9

Jesus doesn't invite us to be peacekeepers; we are to be proactive peacemakers.

- Mark 2:10-12a
- Matthew 16:22-23

*"True peacemakers love God, others, and themselves enough to disrupt false peace...You can't have the true peace of Christ's kingdom with lies and pretense. They must be exposed to the light and replaced with the truth. This is the mature, loving thing to do." -Pete Scazzero*



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## Conflict Choice #2 - Fight Dirty

- Sarcasm
- The Silent Treatment
- Walking Away
- Yelling
- "Always" or "Never"
- Being Passive-Aggressive

## Conflict Choice #3 – God Honoring Conflict

*"A clean fight is a negotiation between two people for the sake of their relationship." -Pete Scazzero*

- Romans 12:17-18

## Establish Conflict Guidelines

- Speak Truth in Love
- Keep Current
- Attack Problems, Not People
- Act! Don't React
- Listen Attentively
  - James 1:19
- Take Responsibility for Your Actions
- Commit to Clarity and Closure
  - Ephesians 6:10-12