

## Single & Single-Again TUES NITES Meal, Message & Mixer

### Wisdom In Conflict

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*"Any fool can start arguments; the honorable thing is to stay out of them."*  
(Proverbs 20:3 TEV)

Wise people are P \_\_\_\_\_, not T \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Three Ways We Stay In Conflict

C \_\_\_\_\_  
C \_\_\_\_\_  
C \_\_\_\_\_

*"The wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere."* (James 3:17 NIV)

#### Two big mistakes we make in relationships

We R \_\_\_\_\_ without trying to understand  
We I \_\_\_\_\_ any feelings that we don't feel ourselves

All of us are more consistent in our faith when others walk with us and encourage us. The Bible commands mutual A \_\_\_\_\_, mutual E \_\_\_\_\_, mutual S \_\_\_\_\_, and mutual H \_\_\_\_\_.

*If you're going to get control of  
anger in your life, you must base  
your identity on Jesus*

A H \_\_\_\_\_ tongue reveals an A \_\_\_\_\_ heart

*"If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."* (Romans 12:18 NIV)

#### Four methods Jesus modeled

Realize you can't P \_\_\_\_\_ everybody  
Learn to say N \_\_\_\_\_ to unrealistic expectations  
NEVER R \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 5:38-39)  
P \_\_\_\_\_ for them (Matthew 5:44)

*"A person's wisdom yields patience; it is to one's glory to overlook an offense."*  
(Proverbs 19:11 NIV)

**Hurt People, Hurt People**

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The person who feels deeply loved and deeply secure is G \_\_\_\_\_ and  
G \_\_\_\_\_ to other people.

*“God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but a spirit of power, love, and self-discipline.” (2 Timothy 1:7 NLT)*

### Unresolved conflict has three devastating effects in your life

It blocks your F \_\_\_\_\_ with God  
Unresolved conflict H \_\_\_\_\_ your prayers  
Unsolved conflict hinders your H \_\_\_\_\_

Only courageous people resolve conflict!

#### Discussion Questions:

- What are some of the tricks you've used to try to get what you want from a relationship?
- What effect did those tricks have on your relationship?
- What effect do you see in people when you show kindness to them when they are hurting?
- What habits do you need to change or adopt to become more considerate of people's feelings and not just their words?
- If your family needed help for a task or crisis, who would be the people you call on first? Are those people in your small group or church?
- In what ways are you playing an integral part in the Body of Christ?
- Why is it better to please God instead of trying to please everybody else?
- What are some ways to say no to unrealistic expectations?
- Why do you think it is so hard for us to let things go, particularly with the people we love most?
- If you fill your life with love, what will overflow from your life?
- What are you pretending is not a problem in your relationships? Money? Trust? Family? Children? Communication? Values? Work schedule?
- What will you do today to take the initiative to resolve those conflicts?