



EVERGREEN JOY
GOD'S GUIDE TO DEALING WITH CONFLICT
PHILIPPIANS 4:1-3

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1. View _____
(vv. 1, 3b)

Philippians 4:1-3 (ESV)

1 Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved. 2 I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. 3 Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

2. Solve _____
(v. 2)

3. Point _____
(v. 3a)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Review Timothy's example in *Philippians 2:19-24*. What stands out to you about his perspective on other people? Why is it so easy to view other people as tools to use people for your own benefit, and what will help you have a genuine concern for the welfare of others like Timothy?
2. **Read Matthew 7:1-5**. What does it practically look like to "take the log out of your own eye"? What are the dangers if you fail to do this well?
3. Review the six aspects of Christ-like thinking that were discussed in point 2 of the sermon. Which one stood out to you the most and why? How can you grow in living out that aspect of Christ's example?
4. **Read Ephesians 4:1-3**. Consider carefully each of the attributes discussed in verse 2. Why are each of these things essential to maintaining unity? How should the expectation that patience and "bearing with" others will be needed help you prepare for conflict?
5. **Read Ephesians 4:31-32**. Describe how Christ forgave you. How should that impact the way you think about forgiving others?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Here are some books which may help you dig deeper into what we studied today. While Pastor Ben cannot endorse everything about each book/author, he does think these books are worth considering and reading.

Jones, Robert D. *Uprooting Anger*. P&R Publishing, 2005.

Sande, Ken. *The Peacemaker*. Baker Books, 2004.

Wiersbe, Warren. *How to be a Caring Christian*. Back to the Bible, 1981.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for God to help you pursue humility and love.

Pray that our church would experience joyful unity.

Pray specifically for the 80 men who show up this weekend to study at the Shepherds Training College in Uganda.

Pray that 2023 is the most faithful and fruitful year of evangelism in your life!

Pray that God will provide a long-term home for CBCTV through the Taking Ground project.

REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

Date	Old Testament	New Testament
2/13	Leviticus 1-4	Mark 2
2/14	Leviticus 5-7	Mark 3
2/15	Leviticus 8-10	Mark 4
2/16	Leviticus 11-13	Mark 5
2/17	Leviticus 14-15	Mark 6
2/18	Leviticus 16-18	Mark 7