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WE ARE A CHOZEN PEOPLE

1<sup>ST</sup> PETER 2:9

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# GOD'S WAY: CONFLICT RESOLUTION



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# CONFLICT

What kind of conflicts are you experiencing?

How do you currently handle conflict?

How do you feel conflict should be handled?



Age is nothing but a number.

#C+W





What does God's word  
tell us about conflict?

#C+W



PROVERBS

29

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An angry person stirs up conflict, and a hot-tempered person commits many sins."

PROVERBS

3

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God is opposed to  
the proud, but gives  
grace to the humble.



# PROUD

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# HUMBLE

Respectful  
Subservient  
Submissive  
Obedient



# GRACE

Kindness

Blessing

Favor

Approval

Support

#C+W





# TO RESOLVE CONFLICT

James 4:7,8, & 10

#1 Submit to God

#2 Resist the devil

#3 Repent of all sin



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Draw near to God.

- Draw near to God and he will draw near to you.
- God is commanding us to draw near to Him.
- It's easy for believers to draw away from the Lord. God didn't move away from us, "we" moved away from God.



# SUBMIT TO GOD

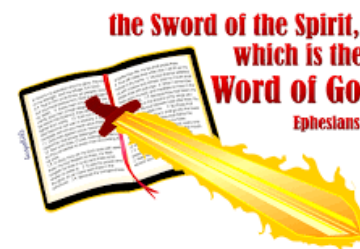
## Humble Yourself Before God

- Humble yourself before God.
- Pride is at the heart of all disobedience to God and almost all relational conflict.



# Resist the devil

James 4:7



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# RESIST THE DEVIL

## Humble Yourself Before God

- Paul tells us, "Resist the devil and he will flee from you."
- Spiritual warfare (Ephesians, 6:13)
- "Therefore, take up the **full armor of God**, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to **stand firm**."



# RESIST THE DEVIL

## Full armor of God

- **Belt of truth** - Truth is the foundation; it's what grounds us - God's word
- **Breastplate of Righteousness** - Covering over each shoulder/ side of the chest; protecting the most vital parts of who we are.



# RESIST THE DEVIL

## Full armor of God

- **Shoes of Peace** - Keep us planted firmly, while marching/standing in unstable times.
- **Shield of Faith** - Protect the entire body from Satan's evil plans that can come from any direction.



# RESIST THE DEVIL

## Full armor of God

- **Rest in the confidence** that God's got this; unwavering expectation. Use this as your confidence as your shield and lift it high.
- **Helmet of Salvation** - Heads represents what's in them-our mid. Take those thoughts captive by replacing them with the word of God. What does God say about you.



# RESIST THE DEVIL

Full armor of God

- **Sword of Spirit** - Defense and offense against Satan.



Repent of all sin  
James 4:8

#C+W





**JAMES**

**4**

8

Cleanse your hands,  
you sinners; and  
purify your hearts,  
you double-minded.



# REPENT OF ALL SIN

Heartfelt repentance.

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# RESOLVE IT GOD'S WAY

Don't sit passively and wait for resolution.

- #1 Submit to God
- #2 Resist the devil
- #3 Draw near to God
- #4 Cleanse your hands
- #5 Purify your heart
- #6 Humble yourself



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