

"Therefore if you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering."

Matthew 5:23-24

Why pursue reconciliation?

If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.

**Romans** 12:18

Why pursue reconciliation?

- Conflict threatens our unity (2-3).
- Conflict threatens our mission (1).

How should we pursue reconciliation?

• Be humble.

A man's discretion makes him slow to anger, And it is his glory to overlook a transgression.

Proverbs 19:11

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- Be discreet.



He who goes about as a slanderer reveals secrets, therefore do not associate with a gossip.

Proverbs 20:19

How should we pursue reconciliation?

- Be humble.
- Be discreet.
- Get help.



If your brother sins, go and show him his fault in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother. But if he does not listen to you, take one or two more with you...

If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

Matthew 18:15-17

How should we pursue reconciliation?

- Be humble.
- Be discreet.
- Get help.
- Forgive.

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32

- Do you have a relationship that requires reconciliation?
- Will you take the initiative to pursue reconciliation for the sake of Christ?



