**Thoughts on Peacemaking**

**As far as it is possible with you, live at peace with all men.**

**Responding to Conflict with God’s Grace.**

**Ask:**

**How can I focus on God and His glory in this situation?**

* Praise God by depending on His forgiveness, wisdom, power and love.
* Maintain a loving, merciful and forgiving attitude
* Psalm 37: 1-6
* Romans 12:17-21
* Philippians 4: 4-9
* Colossians 3:1-4

**How can I own my part of this conflict - see the log in my own eye?**

* Take responsibility for our own part in the conflict
* Confess our sins, ask God to help change our attitudes and habits that lead to conflict, and seek to repair any harm we have done.
* Matt: 7: 3-5
* Colossians 3: 5-14
* 1 John 1:8-9

**How can I help others own their contribution to this conflict?**

* We will talk graciously and personally to the one whom is involved in the conflict.
* We will not talk about them behind their backs.
* We will ask others to help if needed.
* Matt 18: 15-20
* Galatians 6: 1-2
* 2 Timothy 2:24-26

**How can I give forgiveness and help reach a reasonable solution?**

* Seek a deep and genuine peace and reconciliation.
* Seek mutually beneficial solutions to our differences
* Matt 5: 23-24
* Eph 4: 1-3
* Philippians 2:3-4