

# HOW TO REDUCE CONFLICT WITH OTHERS

## How to Enjoy the Rest of Your Life - Part 3

**Philippians 2:2** "... make my joy complete by being likeminded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose."

### HOW TO HAVE UNITY

(In Your Family, Business, or Church)

#### 1. DEFUSE \_\_\_\_\_

**Philippians 2:3a** "Do nothing out of selfish ambition ..."

**Philippians 2:3a (Ph)** "Never act from motives of rivalry ..."

**Philippians 2:3a (JB)** "There must be no competition among you ..."

**James 4:1-2** "What causes fights and quarrels? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? You want something, but you don't get it."

1st Cause of Conflict: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. DELETE \_\_\_\_\_

**Philippians 2:3b** "Do nothing out of ... vain conceit."

**Philippians 2:3b (Ph)** "Never act from motives of personal vanity"

**Philippians 2:3b (GN)** "Don't do anything ... from a cheap desire to boast"

**Proverbs 13:10** "Pride only breeds quarrels."

2nd Cause of Conflict: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. DECREASE \_\_\_\_\_

**Philippians 2:3c** "... in humility consider others better than yourselves."

## Humility is not thinking less of yourself, but rather

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**James 4:11-12** "Anyone who speaks against his brother or judges him speaks against the Law and judges it. There is only one Lawgiver and Judge. Who are you to judge your neighbor?"

**3rd Cause of Conflict:** \_\_\_\_\_

**4. DEMONSTRATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Philippians 2:4** "Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others."

**I Peter 3:7** "Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives ... so that nothing will hinder your prayers."

**4th Cause of Conflict:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5. DEVELOP** \_\_\_\_\_

**Philippians 2:5** "Your attitude should be the same as that of Jesus Christ."

**Philippians 2:6** "Who being in the very nature of God did not consider equality with God something to be grasped."

**Philippians 2:7** "But made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant being made in human likeness."

**Philippians 2:8** "And being found in appearance as a man He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even death on the cross."

**5th Cause of Conflict:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ephesians 4:3 (GN)** "Do your best to preserve the unity which the Spirit gives, by the peace that binds you together."