

Street Smart, Part 6

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Wisdom For Conflict

Proverbs 18:19 ¹⁹ An offended brother is more unyielding than a fortified city, and disputes are like the barred gates of a citadel.

Proverbs 17:1 ¹ Better a dry crust with peace and quiet than a house full of feasting, with strife.

The One Thing

Conflict Is _____.

The Only choice I have Is Whether Or

Not To Pursue _____.

What To Do Before A Fight Breaks Out:

1. Constantly Work On _____.

Proverbs 15:18 ¹⁸ A hot-tempered man stirs up dissension, but a patient man calms a quarrel.

2. Get Rid Of My _____ Spirit.

Proverbs 20:3 ³ It is to a man's honor to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel.

Proverbs 17:19 ¹⁹ He who loves a quarrel loves sin; he who builds a high gate invites destruction.

Proverbs 22:10 ¹⁰ Drive out the mocker, and out goes strife; quarrels and insults are ended.

Proverbs 30:32-33 ³² "If you have played the fool and exalted yourself, or if you have planned evil, clap your hand over your mouth!
³³ For as churning the milk produces butter, and as twisting the nose produces blood, so stirring up anger produces strife."

3. Stay _____ Of Other People's _____.

Proverbs 26:17 ¹⁷ Like one who seizes a dog by the ears is a passer-by who meddles in a quarrel not his own.

What To Do When A Fight Breaks Out:

1. Stop It As _____ As Possible.

Proverbs 17:14 ¹⁴ Starting a quarrel is like breaching a dam; so drop the matter before a dispute breaks out.

Proverbs 20:3 ³ It is to a man's honor to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel.

2. Don't _____ The Flames.

Proverbs 26:20-21 ²⁰ Without wood a fire goes out; without gossip a quarrel dies down. ²¹ As charcoal to embers and as wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome man for kindling strife.

How To End A Fight:

1. Focus On The _____ To Say And The

_____ To Say It.

Proverbs 15:1 ¹ A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

2. Pursue _____ Face To Face.

Matthew 5:23-24 ²³ "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift."

Matthew 18:15 ¹⁵ "If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over."

3. _____ My Junk.

Proverbs 28:13 ¹³ He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

4. Let It _____ And Move _____.

Proverbs 19:11 ¹¹ A man's wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense.