



- **Culture can attack your family from the \_\_\_\_\_, but unresolved conflict destroys families from the \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

*A foolish child is a father's ruin, and a quarrelsome wife is like the constant dripping of a leaky roof.* Proverbs 19:13

## How to Bring Peace to Your Family:

1. **Become a \_\_\_\_\_ in your family.**

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.* Matthew 5:9

- Peace comes through \_\_\_\_\_.

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.* John 14:27

2. **\_\_\_\_\_ your heart - Your motives matter.**

<sup>31</sup> *Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander,*

*along with every form of malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.* Ephesians 4:31-32

3. **\_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ - Choose carefully what you say.**

<sup>1</sup> *A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger . . .* <sup>4</sup> *The soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a perverse tongue crushes the spirit.* Proverbs 15:1, 4

*My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry . . .* James 1:19

4. **Be \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ out a plan for resolving conflict.**

<sup>26</sup> *"In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,* <sup>27</sup> *and do not give the devil a foothold.* Ephesians 4:26-27

<sup>15</sup> *If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over.* Matthew 18:15

### Next Steps for May 31:

- ☐ Make a commitment to become a Christ centered family.
- ☐ Ask God to make you a peacemaker in your family.
- ☐ Visit our Home View Center this morning for resources to strengthen your family.
- ☐ Pray for our Vacation Bible School 2015, June 8-12.