

Peacemakers

1 Thessalonians 5:13b–15

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### Peacekeepers vs. Peacemakers

#### Peacekeepers:

- Avoid \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_
- Are willing to \_\_\_\_\_ for the sake of being \_\_\_\_\_
- Operate from \_\_\_\_\_ and self-\_\_\_\_\_
- Pretend conflicts \_\_\_\_\_
- Contribute to long-term \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and sin

#### Peacemakers:

- Speak in love and truth, desiring \_\_\_\_\_
- Are willing to risk \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- Recognize that short-term \_\_\_\_\_ is better than long-term \_\_\_\_\_
- Acknowledge the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ habits, relationships, and environments
- Become God's instruments of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

“Critically, peace cannot override truth—truth must never be violated for the sake of peace, lest reconciliation with others create breach with God”

#### Four arenas of peace:

All lasting peace is a fruit of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the truth of the \_\_\_\_\_

1. Peace with \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 5:1)

2. Peace with \_\_\_\_\_ (Galatians 2:20, Matthew 6:25-34)

3. Peace in your \_\_\_\_\_ (Matthew 5:21-26. Romans 12:18)

- Live to be \_\_\_\_\_
- Chew the \_\_\_\_\_, spit out the \_\_\_\_\_
- Take full \_\_\_\_\_ for your \_\_\_\_\_

4. Peace in your \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 14:19, Proverbs 27:5-6, 1 Thes 5:13b-15)

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## **Peacekeepers vs. Peacemakers**

### **Peacekeepers:**

- Avoid confrontation to maintain a false peace
- Are willing to compromise truth for the sake of being liked
- Operate from fear and self-protection
- Pretend conflicts don't exist
- Contribute to long-term resentment, enabling dysfunction, and sin

### **Peacemakers:**

- Speak in love and truth, desiring reconciliation
- Are willing to risk pain through misunderstanding and failure
- Recognize that short-term pain is better than long-term harm
- Acknowledge the reality of unhealthy habits, relationships, and environments
- Become God's instruments of reconciliation and healing

“Critically, peace cannot override truth—truth must never be violated for the sake of peace, lest reconciliation with others create breach with God”

### **Four arenas of peace:**

**All lasting peace is a fruit of believing and living the truth of the gospel**

**1. Peace with God** (Romans 5:1)

**2. Peace with yourself** (Galatians 2:20, Matthew 6:25-34)

**3. Peace in your relationships** (Matthew 5:21-26. Romans 12:18)

- Live to be unoffendable
- Chew the meat, spit out the bones
- Take full responsibility for your contribution

**4. Peace in your community** (Romans 14:19, Proverbs 27:5-6, 1 Thes 5:13b-15)