

crossroads

**LIFE GROUPS**

September 25, 2022

**Life of Paul - Conflict**

**Discussions Questions**

**MEMORY VERSE:**

If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Romans 12:18

Kicking It Off – How do you respond when someone upsets you? Are you an exploder or a stuffer? What are the upsides and downsides of both kinds of reactions?

1. Read Luke 17:3–4. What does Jesus mean by the word “rebuke”? What can exploders take away from Jesus’ words? What can stuffers take away from them? How can you check your motives to make sure that your rebukes are tied to a willingness to forgive?
2. Read Proverbs 20:19 and 26:20–22. What do these verses say about a gossiper? How does gossiping about others stir up your own inner turmoil. How can you reject gossip from someone in a way that is both effective and godly? How can we walk the fine line between praying for others and gossiping about them?
3. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:14–15. What does this verse say is the proper way to confront one another when there are conflicts? What does it say about resentment and revenge?

Putting It into Action – Read Galatians 2:11 (written by Paul). What does this suggest about how we are to approach someone when there is a conflict? Now read Galatians 6:1-6 (written by Paul) and 2 Peter 3:14–16 (written later by Peter). What do these passages suggest about moving forward after a conflict? How can we be like Paul and Peter by responding well to conflicts (on both sides)?