

MINING THE MESSAGE

TITLE: Conflict: A Service Opportunity

SCRIPTURE: James 3:13-18

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BIG IDEA:

Conflict is an opportunity to show Christ by showing His character and speaking His wisdom into conflict.

OUTLINE:

1. The Goal (13)
2. The Hindrance (14-16)
3. The Wisdom (17)
4. The Result (18)

WHAT DID YOU LEARN?

- 1 Read Ephesians 4:25-32. What principles could you derive from these verses that would be beneficial for your communication?
- 2 What are the characteristics of the wisdom from above? Which characteristic do you need to exercise further in your communication with others?

HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?

- 1 What desires do you have that lead to bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your conflicts? How does that impact your relationships?
- 2 What could you do to sow peace in your conflicts? What could you do to come up with a resolution that honors God and serves the other person?

LIVE IT OUT

Peace is the blessing of living and speaking like Christ. In a conflict this week, exercise godly wisdom in your conflict this week. Find an opportunity to listen. Give 3 encouragements to the person you are in conflict with. Seek how you can serve the other person's desires in your resolution.

READ AHEAD

Read Ecclesiastes. What does the preacher experience, and what does he find most important in life?

