

How to Handle Conflicts Biblically

1. God is a God of _____, Rom 1:7; Rom 5:1

2. God Calls Us to Be _____, Matt 5:9

3. Conflicts Are _____, Ja 4:1-2a

4. I Must _____ **God in Conflict**, 1 Cor 10:31

5. Resolving Conflict Begins with _____, Matt 7:3-5; 18:15:17

How does Jesus tell us to handle the conflict?

- *I am to go alone.*
- *I am to go with another.*
- *I am to take the matter to the church.*

"Nothing is so cruel as the tenderness that consigns another to his sin. Nothing can be more compassionate than the severe rebuke that calls a brother back from the path of sin."
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

6. _____ **is a Matter of Obedience**, Eph 4:32

Four promises of forgiveness, Ken Sande

- *I will not dwell on the incident.*
- *I will not bring this incident up and use it against you.*
- *I will not talk to others about this incident.*
- *I will not allow this incident to hinder our relationship.*

TAKE HOME TRUTH

God is honored when we _____ him in seeking to resolve conflicts.

Acknowledgements to:
Pursuing Peace, Robert Jones
The Peacemaker, Ken Sande

Just a Moment with Pastor Fred

I well remember Stevie Foster. I feared him. He was the neighborhood bully. His name brought terror to my soul. I was 5. Stevie was probably 8.

But today bullying isn't childish as it was with Stevie. Yes, he was mean. Yes, he punched me, but bullying is vicious and cruel. Students are bullied for all sorts of reasons – their intelligence, looks or lack of looks, absence of athletic ability – the list goes on and on. Our culture has taken a hard stance against bullying and rightly so. Name calling and physical violence are not only wrong but unchristian. We need to instill in our children the call to stand up for the oppressed.

Bullying also exists in the home. Tragically husbands or fathers can be bullies – even Christian men. It can be either physical or verbal – regardless, its sinful and grieves the Holy Spirit. Verbal abuse is a terrible sin which churches tend to overlook. Darby Strickland writes, *"Oppression in marriage* [is] *a pattern of coercive, controlling and punishing behaviors whereby one spouse seeks to control and dominate the other."* Tactics used vary: preventing personal freedom, fear, humiliation, threats, etc. Such abuse is never appropriate. Biblical counselor Ed Welch writes, *"*[We] *err in understanding how difficult it is to live with an angry spouse."*

O dear brothers, let us as men commit to loving our wives and children well. Let us not succumb to our sinful and selfish natures by taking advantage of those under our care. "Let the words of our mouth be acceptable in your sight, O Lord."

Pastors
fredfroman@holtbaptist.org
anthony@holtbaptist.org
Church office: mhayes@holtbaptist.org

YOU HAVE *Exalted* ABOVE ALL THINGS YOUR *Name* & YOUR *Word.*

PSALM 138:2

Prelude
Call to Worship

I Will Wait For You
Now To Him

Ministry Moment

Sovereign
Jesus Strong and Kind

Scripture Reading & Pastoral Prayer

How to Handle Conflicts Biblically
Pastor Fred Froman

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

Benediction
Prayer Team

HOLT BAPTIST CHURCH
www.holtbaptist.org • 517-694-7461 • 2020 Dean Ave., Holt, MI 48842
Becoming fruitful disciples of Christ for God's glory.

THE LORD'S DAY
August 23, 2026

Corporate worship is designed to turn your wrestling heart into a place of peace presenting to you again and again a stunningly glorious, all-powerful, always gracious, ever-present, all-wise and ever-faithful Savior.

Loving God
Loving People

Nursery Schedule

Worship Service
Nursery: Diane Wilson & Helper
Toddler: Gina Hart, Sue Depoorter & Zoey Bricker

Today
10:00am Coffee & Fellowship
10:30am Worship

Wednesday, August 26
7:00pm Praise Team

"The desire to be God rather than to serve God lies at the bottom of every sin that anyone has ever committed. Sin is rooted in my unwillingness to find joy in living my life under the authority of, and for the glory of, Another."
~ Paul David Tripp, Whiter Than Snow

Announcements

Labor Day Potluck & Fellowship at Graig and Mary Hayes, Sunday, September 6 at 5pm. Hot dogs and drinks provided. Sign up on the table in the foyer to bring a dish to share.

Are you retired? A new Bible study on the book of Revelation will be discussed, facilitated by Dave Drullinger and Pastor Fred, on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30am. Sign up so a study booklet can be ordered for you. Class begins September 2.

Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowships resume September 13 at 9:30am. Pastor Anthony will teach a class on prayer in the auditorium; Pastor Fred will teach on marriage upstairs. Classes for boys and girls as well. Grades 4-6 Students will be taught by Mary Ann Krepps. If your student will be regularly attending, please contact Mary Ann so that she can order them the book, How to Study the Bible for Kids.

New HBC Directories are being prepared, please review your information in the sample provided on the kiosk and make corrections as needed. If your name does not appear, please include your information on the lines in the back of the book.

Greeters
Today: Barb Bush
Next Sunday: Judy Reilly



Leadership Summit Saturday, September 19 at Faith Bible Church in Lansing. Kevin Finkenbinder is hosting this seminar for elders, deacons, wives or anyone interested in leadership in the local church. Register at www.faithbiblelansing.org/2026summit. Cost is $15 which covers lunch. Pastors Fred and Anthony and Susan Froman (to the women) will be speaking.

Giving for 2026

July budget	$24,573.73
July giving	$22,714.57

You may give online. Go to: holtbaptist.org and click on the Online Giving tab.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Vesper Bell	August 24
Linda Biehn	August 25
Barb Bush	August 27

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

William & Lynn Damsgaard	August 24
Anthony & Kali Lange	August 26
Bruce & Ruth Stevenson	August 26

Prayer Requests

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
Colossians 4:2

General Requests
- Bells & Petkofs on furloughs
- The Clark family - praise
- Counseling Ministry - certification & weekly appointments
- For HBC to grow deeper spiritually/to reach out to others

Physical Needs
- Adah Cecil - at home, continued improvement
- Amber Breinling (Lois Martin's niece) - chemo & heart issues
- Pastor Fred - cataract surgery Wednesday
- Gina Golden - health concerns
- Kara deRoos (Ryan's mother) - health concerns
- Kathy Lange (Anthony's mother) - cancer recovery
- Nic Martin - pain management
- Cheryl Woodruff (Melissa Hurley's stepmother) - cancer is back
- Diane Wilson - results of biopsy

Praying Biblically - Ephesians 3:14-20
- Thankful for the family of God I have around me
- For God to strengthen me
- For Christ to feel at home in my life
- That I be rooted and grounded in love
- For me to have a deeper understanding of Christ's love
- To be filled with God's fullness
- For God to do more than I would ask or think
- For God to receive glory in the church

Ministry Moment
Fall Fest

Prayer For Our Government Officials
Local judges & court employees

Prayer Person of the Week
Lisa Spinner

Shut in of the Week
Dave Murray

Guest Services
Today: Paul Recher
Next Sunday: Steve Blake

Mowing This Week
Jim Rizzardi
Don Depoorter