

# MARRIAGE: “I’ve Lost That Lovin’ Feeling!”

## *Marriage:*

*Finding More of  
the Missing Pieces*

*Part two of Elim's sermon series on marriage.*



# IN MARRIAGE (LIFE), CONFLICT IS INEVITABLE!

- *Conflict is necessary.*
- *Conflict is an opportunity.*





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- *Peace-fakers*





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  - *“Problem? What problem?”*
  - *“Whatever you say.”*
  - *“I’m outta here!”*





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  - *“I want things my way!”*
  - *“I’m right, you’re wrong!”*
  - *“I’ll show you!”*





# WHEN CONFLICT ERUPTS, PEOPLE RESPOND DIFFERENTLY.

- *Peace-fakers*
- *Peace-breakers*
- *Peacemakers*

*Mt. 5:9*

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they  
will be called sons of God.*





# WHEN CONFLICT ERUPTS, PEACEMAKERS ...

- Repair *damaged relationships!* (Mt. 5:23-24)





# WHEN CONFLICT ERUPTS, PEACEMAKERS ...

*Matthew 5: 23-24*

*...if you are offering your gift at the altar  
and there remember that your brother  
has something against you, leave your  
gift there in front of the altar. First go  
and be reconciled to your brother; then  
come and offer your gift.*





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- Repair *damaged relationships.*
- Develop *healthy relationships.*





# WHEN CONFLICT ERUPTS, PEACEMAKERS ...

*Ephesians 4: 1-3*

*<sup>1</sup> I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. <sup>2</sup> Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.*





# WHEN CONFLICT ERUPTS, PEACEMAKERS ...

- Repair *damaged relationships.*
- Develop *healthy relationships.*
- Call *others to do the same.*

