



# Young Peacemaker™ Workshop

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# The Young Peacemaker

## Teaching Children to Respond to Conflict Biblically

Why teach biblical peacemaking to children?



“Young peacemakers” —

- Understand conflict
- Respond to conflict biblically
- Prevent conflict

Conflict is a “slippery slope” —

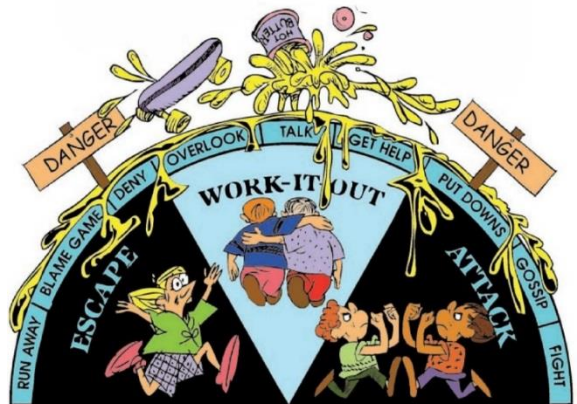
*If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone (Romans 12:18).*

*Work-It-Out Zone* — a.k.a. the “Peacemaking Zone”

- Overlook an offense
- Talk it out together
- Get help

*Escape Zone* — a.k.a. the “Peace-faking Zone”

- Deny a conflict exists
- Play the “blame game”
- Run away from conflict



*Attack Zone* — a.k.a. the “Peace-breaking Zone”

- Put Downs
- Gossip and slander
- Fight physically or verbally

## Monster desires and the blame game —

*He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy (Proverbs 28:13).*

## The Gospel declares in 1 John 1:9 —

- If we *confess* our sinful desires and choices —
- If we *repent* and turn away from them —
- If we *believe* that forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ alone —
- Then God will *purify* our hearts and *change* our desires.

## The 5A Way —



## The Four Promises of Forgiveness —

*Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you (Ephesians 4:32).*

- Good thought,
- Hurt you not,
- Gossip never,
- Friends forever.



ALWAYS remind your children the Gospel is for them —

- It's about what Jesus has done *for* them ...
- And what He is doing *in* them!

Your BEST teaching tool is YOU —

- Your conflicts are the training ground for *you* teach your children how to practice biblical peacemaking in order to restore and strengthen relationships to the glory of God.



*Peacemakers who sow in peace  
raise a harvest of righteousness (James 3:18).*

To order peacemaking resources for your family, go to:

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