

THE JOY OF RECONCILIATION

March 15, 2020 Philippians 4:1-5

Think legacy. How do you want to be remembered? “Our citizenship is in heaven (Phil. 3:20),” but we are not home yet. Make it your goal to bring heaven to earth. Read Philippians 4:2-3. You got people to deal with.

1. Conflict! Why can't we all get along? Think legacy.

- “I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to agree with each other in the Lord.” 4:2 Their disagreement could split the church.
- They worked together with Paul in the cause of the gospel. 4:3
- Their names are in the book of life. 4:4

2. How to deal with conflict? Think legacy.

- You are precious to God and to me. Phil. 4:1
- You are under attack so stand firm. Phil. 4:1
- Look for what you can agree on: common ground. 4:2-3
- If needed, find a mediator! 4:3 “Help these women...”
- “Rejoice in the Lord!” God is at work. 4:4
- Look for what Jesus is doing in and through others.
- Treat others with a gentle, patient spirit. 4:5
- “The Lord is at hand.” 4:5