Staying on top of the slippery slope of conflict

overlook | talk | negotiate | get help

make peace

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The Peacemaking Pizza

1. GOD: Put God first in planning my response to conflict (1 Corinthians 10:31). Seek to please God, get his guidance and see the conflict as an opportunity to grow.

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2. ME: Own my part in a

conflict (Matthew 7:3-5). Examine my emotions, my hurtful actions, my selfish desires. Pray, repenting of my poor choices and ask God's forgiveness.

GOD

1. put God first

ME 2. own my

part

3. talk it over

4. make it right

3. YOU: Talk it over with the other person or people (Galatians 6:1). Apologise for the part I have owned. Encourage them kindly to own their part.

4. US: Make it right between us (Matthew 5:23-24). Negotiate any material issues. Give and receive forgiveness. This is reconciliation, which leads to a restored relationship.



TOPIC 1

What is conflict?

Reflect on what you've learned in Topic 1. You can use the journal idea as a guide, or write your own reflections.

Write a letter to yourself, which you will read again at the end of this course. In the letter, write about a conflict you are currently struggling with and your hopes for how you might be able to work towards peace in the situation. Or, you could write about the way you think you respond to conflict and how you would prefer to respond.