



PeaceWiseYouth Course 6

Years 9 – 10 (14 to 16-year-olds)

Course Framework

MODULE 1: Understanding Conflict <i>Understanding God's plan for peace with Him and others.</i>					
TOPIC	LEARNING INTENT	GOAL 1	GOAL 2	GOAL 3	BIBLE REFS
1. What is conflict? Conflict is a part of everyday life.	Conflict is a part of our everyday lives, but we can choose peace!	Explore different types of conflict.	Recognise the three main ways people respond to conflict and see that we can choose the peacemaking responses.	Reflect on our own responses to conflict.	Romans 12:18
2. Where does conflict come from? Conflict happens when we don't live God's way.	Conflict comes from putting what we want ahead of God and others.	Identify that conflict comes from putting what we want (our own selfish desires) ahead of God and others.	Identify that conflict began when people didn't live God's way.	Recognise what stunts our growth to peacemaking	James 4:1 Genesis 3 Galatians 5:22-23
3. What is God's peace plan for us? Jesus is the ultimate peacemaker.	God is the God of peace. God wants us all to live at peace with him and other people through Jesus, the ultimate peacemaker.	See that peace with God and others is possible, through Jesus, the ultimate peacemaker.	Identify God's peace plan that involved the sacrificial death of his son, Jesus, because of his love for us	See their part in God's peace plan.	Colossians 1:19-20 2 Corinthians 5:18 John 15:1-8
4. How can conflict be an opportunity? Conflict can be an opportunity to grow.	Conflict is not all bad! Conflict can be an opportunity to put God first, be kind to others and be more like Jesus.	Understand that conflict is neither good nor bad. The main issue in conflict is how a person responds	Investigate the 3 opportunities for growth in a conflict.	Explore personal responses to conflict and compare/contrast to the opportunities for growth.	1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Romans 12:21 Matthew 5: 43-47
5. How do we become peacemakers? The Bible shows us how to be peacemakers!	There are 4 parts to peacemaking – God (Put God first), Me (Own my part), You (Talk it over) and Us (Make things right).	Identify the 4 pieces needed for biblical peacemaking.	Understand that the Peacemaking pizza process is based on teaching from the Bible and is important to follow in our growth as peacemakers.	Explore how we can become peacemakers by using the four parts of peacemaking as found in the Bible.	God: 1 Corinthians 10:31 Me: Matthew 7:3-5 You: Galatians 6:1 Us: Matthew 5:23-24



MODULE 2: Responding to conflict					
<i>Learning to take responsibility for my part in the conflict and speak the truth in love</i>					
TOPIC	LEARNING INTENT	GOAL 1	GOAL 2	GOAL 3	BIBLE REFERENCES
<p>6. How do my heart desires get me into trouble?</p> <p>Conflict starts in the heart, creates strong emotions and leads to consequences.</p>	<p>Conflict can be caused by selfish desires that start in our hearts. We want our own way and ignore God's wise way, but these choices have consequences.</p>	<p>Recognise that strong emotions and actions can be the symptoms of selfish heart desires, when we ignore God's wise way.</p>	<p>Investigate the various consequences that come from poor choices based on our selfish heart desires.</p>	<p>Consider our own responses to conflict and how they are an outworking of personal selfish heart desires.</p>	<p>James 4:1-2 Psalm 37:4-6 Genesis 20:1-18 Psalm 51:10</p>
<p>7. How can I own my part in a conflict?</p> <p>God helps me own my part in a conflict.</p>	<p>I will learn to own my part, repent, confess my sins to God and receive his forgiveness,</p>	<p>Identify the responsibility of individual choice in responding to conflict.</p>	<p>Understand the meaning of repentance and its relationship to owning one's part in a conflict</p>	<p>Explore our own experience of owning our part in a conflict, repenting and asking forgiveness.</p>	<p>Matthew 7:3-5 Psalm 51 Proverbs 28:13 Luke 19:1-10</p>
<p>8. When to overlook and when to speak up?</p> <p>Peacemakers learn when to speak up and when to overlook.</p>	<p>I can overlook and forgive small hurts. It is the right time to speak up when a conflict is really hurting me or others.</p>	<p>Explore when it is appropriate to overlook and not overlook.</p>	<p>Consider the role of empathy in overlooking a person's response to conflict.</p>	<p>Reflect on our own conflict situations and apply the strategies to determine when to overlook.</p>	<p>Proverbs 19:11 Luke 6:27-37 Psalm 37</p>
<p>9. How do I talk with someone I am in conflict with?</p> <p>We can solve much conflict by talking, listening and negotiating with each other.</p>	<p>We start a conversation by owning our part with an apology. Then we help the other to own their part in the conflict by speaking to them with honesty and a loving heart so they can understand the impact their part in the conflict is having on the relationship.</p>	<p>Explore the two aspects involved in talking with the other person: owning my part and encouraging them kindly to own their part.</p>	<p>Learn what a genuine apology is with the 5 A's apology strategy and apply this to their lives.</p>	<p>Learn how to negotiate material issues with the PAUSE process and apply it to their lives.</p>	<p>Matthew 18:15 Philippians 2:3-4 Acts 16:35-39 Proverbs 28:13</p>
<p>10. How do I forgive and what does reconciliation mean?</p> <p>God wants us to forgive, as he forgives.</p>	<p>We can choose to forgive even if they aren't ready accept their part. A friendship can be restored when both give and receive forgiveness.</p>	<p>Learn what forgiveness is and isn't.</p>	<p>Understand that reconciliation occurs when both parties own their part and follow the 4 choices of forgiving.</p>	<p>Reflect on our own experience of forgiving and apply what has been learnt.</p>	<p>Ephesians 4:32 – 5:1 Matthew 18:21-35</p>
<p>11. What if they aren't ready to own their part?</p> <p>Peacemakers learn when to ask for help and how to continue to show kindness.</p>	<p>When seeking peace on our own fails or is not possible, it is good to get help from one or two others we can trust</p>	<p>Investigate ways to deal with a conflict situation where the other won't own their part.</p>	<p>Explore options for getting wise help when needed.</p>	<p>Consider wise ways to treat someone when they aren't ready to own their part, like showing kindness and praying for God to work in the situation.</p>	<p>Romans 12:19-21 Matthew 18:16 Proverbs 13:10</p>



MODULE 3: Peacemakers for life
Learning the art of being a peacemaker everywhere, all the time, for life

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<p>12. How can I change my attack responses?</p> <p>A peacemaker replaces attack responses with peacemaking strategies.</p>	<p>Attacking during a conflict is not trusting God and damages relationships. Peacemakers use the peacemaking pizza strategies to respond to conflict.</p>	<p>Explore in detail the range of attack responses to conflict</p>	<p>Understand how attack responses can damage our relationships and the broader community, and see how trusting God can change this.</p>	<p>Recognise our own use of attack responses and learn to replace them with peacemaking responses in order to influence the communities we are a part of.</p>	<p>Romans 12:14-18 Matthew 5:21-24 Genesis 4 Acts 16:16-24, 35-39 Ephesians 4:26</p>
<p>13. How can I change my escape responses?</p> <p>A peacemaker replaces escape responses with peacemaking strategies.</p>	<p>Escaping during a conflict is not trusting God and damages relationships. Peacemakers use the peacemaking pizza strategies to respond to conflict.</p>	<p>Explore in detail the range of escape responses to conflict.</p>	<p>Understand how escape responses can damage our relationships and the broader community, and see how trusting God can change this.</p>	<p>Recognise our own use of escape responses and learn to replace them with personal peacemaking responses in order to influence the communities we are a part of.</p>	<p>Jonah Matthew 6:25-34 1 Peter 5:7 Philippians 4:6-7</p>
<p>14. How can we build a community of peace where we are?</p> <p>I can be a peacemaker everyday wherever I am</p>	<p>To build communities of peace where we live, work and play we follow Christ and lead by His example. A culture of peace starts with me!</p>	<p>Explore what it means to be a biblical peacemaker in our own family.</p>	<p>Explore what it means to be a biblical peacemaker in the various communities we are part of.</p>		<p>Ephesians 4:25-32 Matthew 5:13-16 1 Cor 12:12-20 James 3:18 Romans 12:9-21</p>
<p>15. How can peacemaking point people to Jesus?</p> <p>I can be a peacemaker by pointing people to Jesus.</p>	<p>We can point people to Jesus by linking the way we live as a peacemaker with Jesus being alive in us.</p>	<p>Recognise that Christians can point people to Jesus by demonstrating Godly character traits in their responses to conflict.</p>	<p>Recognise that when we demonstrate Biblical peacemaking strategies in response to conflict, we show that peacemaking actually works and this points people to Jesus.</p>	<p>Apply these ideas to our own lives.</p>	<p>2 Corinthians 5:17-20a 1 Peter 2:12</p>

