

FIGHT FOR THE FAM #4
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“Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. In your anger do not sin. Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.”

Ephesians 4:25-27

_____ STOKES DIVISION IN FAMILIES
_____ HOLDS PEACE HOSTAGE
_____ DESTRUCTION IS OPTIONAL
_____ OR GIVE THE DEVIL A FOOTHOLD

“Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.” *Romans 14:19 NIV*

WINNING PEACE, DEFEATING DIVISION = FIGHTING FOR THE FAM

RECOGNIZE _____.

“What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don’t they come from your desires that battle within you? You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.” *James 4:1-3 NIV*

RECOGNIZE _____.

“If anyone has caused grief, he has not so much grieved me as he has grieved all of you to some extent—not to put it too severely. The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient. Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. I urge you, therefore, to reaffirm your love for him. Another reason I wrote you was to see if you would stand the test and be obedient in everything. Anyone you forgive, I also forgive. And what I have forgiven—if there was anything to forgive—I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake, in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.” *2 Corinthians 2:5-10 NIV*

RECOGNIZE _____.

“Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, for I have come here from God. I have not come on my own; God sent me. ⁴³ Why is my language not clear to you? Because you are unable to hear what I say. ⁴⁴ You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.” *John 8:42-44 NIV*

RECOGNIZE _____.

“Everyone who makes a practice of doing evil, addicted to denial and illusion, hates God-light and won’t come near it, fearing a painful exposure. But anyone working and living in truth and reality welcomes God-light so the work can be seen for the God-work it is.” John 3:20-21 MSG

RECOGNIZE _____.

“For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel and the men of Judah His delightful plant. Thus He looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, a cry of distress.” Isaiah 5:7 NASB

“A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned.”

RECOGNIZE _____.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.” Matthew 5:9

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.” Luke 2:14

SEE: 1 Peter 3:7, Ephesians 6:4 WHY? BECAUSE GOD’S WANTS PEACE?

RECOGNIZE _____.

“Use your freedom to serve one another in love; that’s how freedom grows. For everything we know about God’s Word is summed up in a single sentence: Love others as you love yourself. That’s an act of true freedom. If you bite and ravage each other, watch out—in no time at all you will be annihilating each other, and where will your precious freedom be then? My counsel is this: Live freely, animated and motivated by God’s Spirit. Then you won’t feed the compulsions of selfishness.” Galatians 5:14-18 MSG

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QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO RECOGNIZE IN ORDER TO BE A BETTER PEACEMAKER?

HOW DO YOU NEED TO RESPOND IN YOUR RELATIONSHIPS?

WHAT HELP FROM YOUR BROTHERS DO YOU NEED?

WHAT WILL VICTORY LOOK AND FEEL LIKE?

