



## Session Outline and Discussion Question

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Vince D’Acchioli -- Session 29

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**Gen. 2:24** *For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be **united** to his wife, and they will become one flesh.*

Unresolved family relationships can seriously hinder the believer from living out God’s plan for their life. We need to discover first with our parents, then with our extended family members, whether we are carrying any bitterness in our heart.

As Christians we are to be proactive at resolving any conflicts. It is a command -- the Bible says we are to **be reconciled**.

Three things we must do:

1. Do an \_\_\_\_\_ audit.

**Phil. 2:4-5** *Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ an opportunity to restore.

**Gal. 6:10** *Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.*

3. Use your \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ your extended family.

**1 Pet. 4:10** *Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.*

#### Life Implication:

**Proverbs 17:22** *“A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.”*

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