## The Seventh Part in the Series *The Beatitudes* "Blessed are the Peacemakers"

(Matthew 5:9)

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## a peace conference

"If you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift." (Mathew 5:23–24)

## E with their feelings

"Let each of you look (skopountes) not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others." (Philippians 2:4)

the problem, not the person

"A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." (Proverbs 15:1)

"If possible, so far as it depends on you, live at peace with all people." (Romans 12:18)

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**E** reconciliation, not resolution

"All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation." (2 Corinthians 5:18)

Peace Passages: Romans 5:1, Philippians 4:7, John 14:27

