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*Pursue Peace*



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*Romans 12:18-20*

*If possible, so far as it depends on you, **be at peace with all men**. Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord.*



1. God pursued peace with us!



*Ephesians 2:17*

*And He came and preached peace to you who were far away, and peace to those who were near;*





*Romans 5:8*

*But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*



*2 Corinthians 5:20*

*Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were entreating through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.*





## 2. We pursue peace with others



*Hebrews 12:14-15*

*Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many*



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*Pride is a deep-rooted, self-preserving sin. It won't let anything go that in any way diminishes me!*



## *2 Corinthians 5:14-15*

*For the love of Christ controls us, having concluded this, that one died for all, therefore all died; and **He died** for all, **that they** who live **should no longer live for themselves**, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.*



Can you just let it go?





*Proverbs 19:11*

*A man's wisdom gives him patience;  
it is to his glory to overlook an offense.*



1 Corinthians 6:7

*Actually, then, it is already a defeat for you, that you have lawsuits with one another. Why not rather **be wronged?** Why not rather **be defrauded?***



*Matthew 5:39*

*But I say to you, do not resist him who is evil; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn to him the other also.*



*Isaiah 53:7*

*He was oppressed and He was afflicted,  
Yet He did not open His mouth;  
Like a lamb that is led to slaughter,  
And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers,  
So He did not open His mouth.*

