

Matthew 5:21-26

Jesus taught, “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’²² But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire.²³ So *if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,*²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar and go. **First be reconciled to your brother,** and then come and offer your gift.²⁵ Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison.²⁶ Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.”

Philippians 2:1-5

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,² complete my joy by being of the *same mind*, having the same love, being in full accord and *of one mind*.³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but *in humility count others more significant than yourselves*.⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.⁵ Have *this mind* among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,

Romans 15:1-7

We who are strong have an obligation to *bear with the failings of the weak*, and not to please ourselves.² Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.³ For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, “The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.”⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.⁵ May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to *live in such harmony with one another*, in accord with Christ Jesus,⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.⁷ Therefore *welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you*, for the glory of God.

Second Corinthians 13:11-14

¹¹ Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for *restoration*, comfort one another, agree with one another, *live in peace*; and the God of love and peace will be with you.¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss.¹³ All the saints greet you.¹⁴ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and *the fellowship of the Holy Spirit* be with you all.