Can We Be Neighbors?

Conflict is _____ between _____ , because conflict is _____ between _____ .

Not all conflict is _____ .

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27.17

What should you do with people who offend you?

1. _____ .

"Forgive us our debts as we also have forgiven our debtors …. For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive yours sins." Matthew 6:12, 14-15

You can't _____ forgiveness _____ forgiving.

"You have been saved by grace through faith. You did not save yourselves. It was a gift from God, not by your works." Ephesians 2:8

2. In scruples, let go of your _____ to _____ people.

"Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you." Colossians 3:13

3. Take the _____ _____ .

"So if you are offering your gift on the altar, and there you remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift." Matthew 5:23-24.

4. Speak the _____ _____ _____ .

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

"No rotten talk should come from your mouth, but only what is good for the building up of someone in need, in order to give grace to those who hear" Ephesians. 4:29.

5. Stop _____ about the people who hurt you to anyone you are not _____ .

"Blessed are the peacemakers, because they will be called sons of God" Matthew 5:9.

Moving Forward

1. Do the Block Map. Add any new names and things you have found out about your neighbors in the last 2 weeks. Pay attention to the blank spaces. This week go meet your neighbors. Get to know them by name.

2. Identify one neighbor to pray for during the next week.

3. Check out this website for more information on how to throw a great block party and take the next step in your neighboring journey. **www.artofneighboring.com** Select "Block Party Kit."

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