Money: Mastering Our Resources

Genesis 13:1-12

The Story: An illustration of how money can cause conflict.

- **God blesses us with material blessings. (1-4)**

- **Money is often the source of conflict. (5-7)**

- **Resolving conflict is often simply a choice.(8-12)**

- **The Peacemaker's Pledge. (Steps 3-4)**

  SOURCE: Sande, Ken. The *Peacemaker: A Biblical Guide to Resolving Personal Conflict (third edition)*. Grand Rapids: Baker Publishing, 2004.

The Four "G's" of the Peacemaker Pledge

3. Gently Restore (Galatians 6:1).

"Brothers, is someone is caught in sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently."

Operative Question: How can I lovingly serve others by helping them take responsibility for their contribution to this conflict? (Ken Sande)

4. Go and be reconciled (Matthew 5:24).

"First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift."

Operative Question: How can I demonstrate the forgiveness of God and encourage a reasonable solution to this conflict? (Ken Sande)

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Next week: Self: Addressing "I, Me, My, Mine"