

## **“What the Bible Says about Confrontation”**

### *Selected Scriptures*

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**1. The meaning: speaking the truth in love  
(Ephesians 4:15; Matthew 18:15; Luke 17:3)**

A. The method = speaking

B. The margins = truth

C. The motive = love

**2. The mandate: take action  
(Matthew 5:24; 18:15 = *hupage*)**

A. A basic biblical command

B. To maintain healthy relationships

**3. The mission: truth and harmony for God's glory  
(Psalm 133:1; Joshua 7:19; Matthew 5:25)**

A. Clarity

B. Repentance

C. Reconciliation

D. God's glory

4. **The means: spiritual maturity (Galatians 6:1; Matthew 7:1-5; James 1:5; Romans 15:14)**

A. Self-evaluation

B. Courage

C. A forgiving heart

5. **The mode: case by case (Proverbs 26:5; Matthew 18:15; 1 Timothy 5:20)**

A. Personal offenses require private confrontation.

B. Public offenses demand public confrontation.

6. **The model: Jesus maintained a perfect balance (John 3:10-12; 4:17-18: 8:44-45)**

A. He spoke the truth.

B. His motive was love.

C. He extended grace, mercy and forgiveness.