PEACEMAKERS NEEDED

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A Dose of Charity

Charity is the antidote for contention. It defines a peacemaker. So how can God help us have charity?

Humility before God



Praying with all the energy of your heart



In situations that are highly charged and filled with contention, I invite you to remember Jesus Christ. Pray to have the courage and wisdom to say or do what He would. As we follow the Prince of Peace, we will become His peacemakers.

Ask Yourself:

How do you speak to others and about others . . .



At home?



At work? At church?



Online?

Choices to Make

Contention is a choice. Peacemaking is a choice. Choose to be a peacemaker, now and always!

Judging others?



Show Christlike love through your words and actions.

Writing an angry response online?

Build a bridge of understanding.

How we treat each other really matters! Are you saying things that are "virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy" (Articles of Faith 1:13)?

Know Someone Who Needs to Hear This?

Great. But don't forget it's good advice for you too! Look deeply into

your heart to see if there are shards of pride or jealousy that pr vent you from becoming a peacemaker.



Now Go and Do

The best time to start living by these words is now. Send us your stories about how you are becoming a peacemaker at ftsoy@ChurchofJesusChrist.org.