

Sermon Notes, Sunday Morning, September 25, 2011
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The King Who Dwells Forever
“The Slippery Slope of Conflict” (Part I)
(2 Samuel 19:40 – 20:2)

I. The Concept of the Slippery Slope of Conflict

A. Escape Responses (Peace “Faking”)

1. Denial (Gen 16:1-6)
2. Flight (Gen 27:42-43)
3. Suicide (Acts 16:27-28)

B. Attack Responses (Peace “Taking”)

1. Assault (2Sam 20:1-2; Acts 19:23-29)
2. Litigation (1Cor 6:1, 7-8)
3. Murder (2Sam 3:20-27; 2Sam 19:13-15; 2Sam 20:9-10; Matt 5:21-22)

C. Peacemaking Responses (Matt 5:9)

1. Overlook an Offense (Prov 19:11; Eph 4:2)
2. Reconciliation (Matt 5:23-24)
3. Negotiation (Phil 2:4)
4. Mediation (Matt 18:16)
5. Arbitration (1Cor 6:4)
6. Accountability (Matthew 18:17; 1Cor 5:5; 2Cor 2:6-7)