

10/25/20 Scripture: Matthew 18:15-20
“Appropriate Method of Conflict Resolution”

Introduction: Different people have developed different patterns of dealing with conflict and often we bring these patterns into the church. For example, David Johnson wrote an article entitled, *“How Do You Resolve Conflict at Work?”*

1. Turtles
2. Sharks
3. Teddy Bears
4. Foxes
5. Owls

JESUS' WAY OF SOLVING CONFLICTS:

1st level: Matthew 18:15 “Go to the person who has wronged you.”

2nd Level: Matthew 18.16 says, “If he will not listen, take one or two others along as witnesses.”

3rd Level: Matthew 18:17 says, “If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church.”

4th Level: Matthew 18:17b, “If he refuses to listen to the church, treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector.”