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- 6. Be willing to acknowledge any wrongdoing on your part
- 7. Be quick to forgive wrongdoing on their part (no grudges)

If the issue cannot be resolved:

- 1. Stay calm
- **2.** Don't make any threats
- 3. Don't seek revenge
- 4. Put it in the Lord's hands
- 5. Don't harbor any MAS towards them (unconditional love)
- 6. Pray for them
- 7. Don't talk about them or what happened to others

<u>1 Corinthians 16:13</u> Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, <u>ACT LIKE MEN</u>, be strong.

14) Let all that you do be done in LOVE.

Question Why do we find an entire chapter filled with many specific details covering the issue of an altar being built?

Answer Because it illustrates principles that are vital for people to live together in harmony.

COMMUNICATION

- **1. Don't Interrupt**
- 2. Be Considerate
- 3. Be Mindful Of Other's Time
- 4. Be Tolerant
- 5. Be Clear
- 6. Be Verbal
- 7. Be Physical