Living Biblically With Others

Scripture reading: 1 Jn. 2:3-11

Genesis 50:15 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him."

Talk about a guilty conscience! They should feel sorry for what they did to their brother, Joseph. But Joseph had forgiven them (45:4-15). Did they believe him? It does not seem like they did. What a sad way to live.

We ought to seek to live at p_____ with one another

How can we do that? There are ways to live at peace with one another.

Take people at their w_____ 15-17

Don't live in fear of revenge – "will hate us and pay us back"
Don't j_____ others by what you would do – "It may be"
Don't scheme or embellish facts – "your father commanded????"

Take people's concerns s_____ 17b-18

Never send a message thru others, danger of gossip
Never ignore their pain and fears – Joseph w_____
Never make fun of other's feelings or joke about their serious issues
Never take advantage of other's weakness – cannot repay debt

Take time to share your t_____ 19-20

Calm their fears and anxiety – fear not 2x v21 too
Assure others that you are under obligation to God – you're not God
Honest with what happened – "you thought evil"
Assure others that God can use a_____ for good - Judas
An event can be used today and in future – "to save much people alive"

Take your r_____ seriously 21

If their care is your responsibility, do it – "I will take care of you"
Not always what you do, but how you made them f_____ – "comforted"
Words are powerful – use them for good – your heart is exposed – "kindly"

Treat others the way you would want to be treated.

Your notes here . . . . .