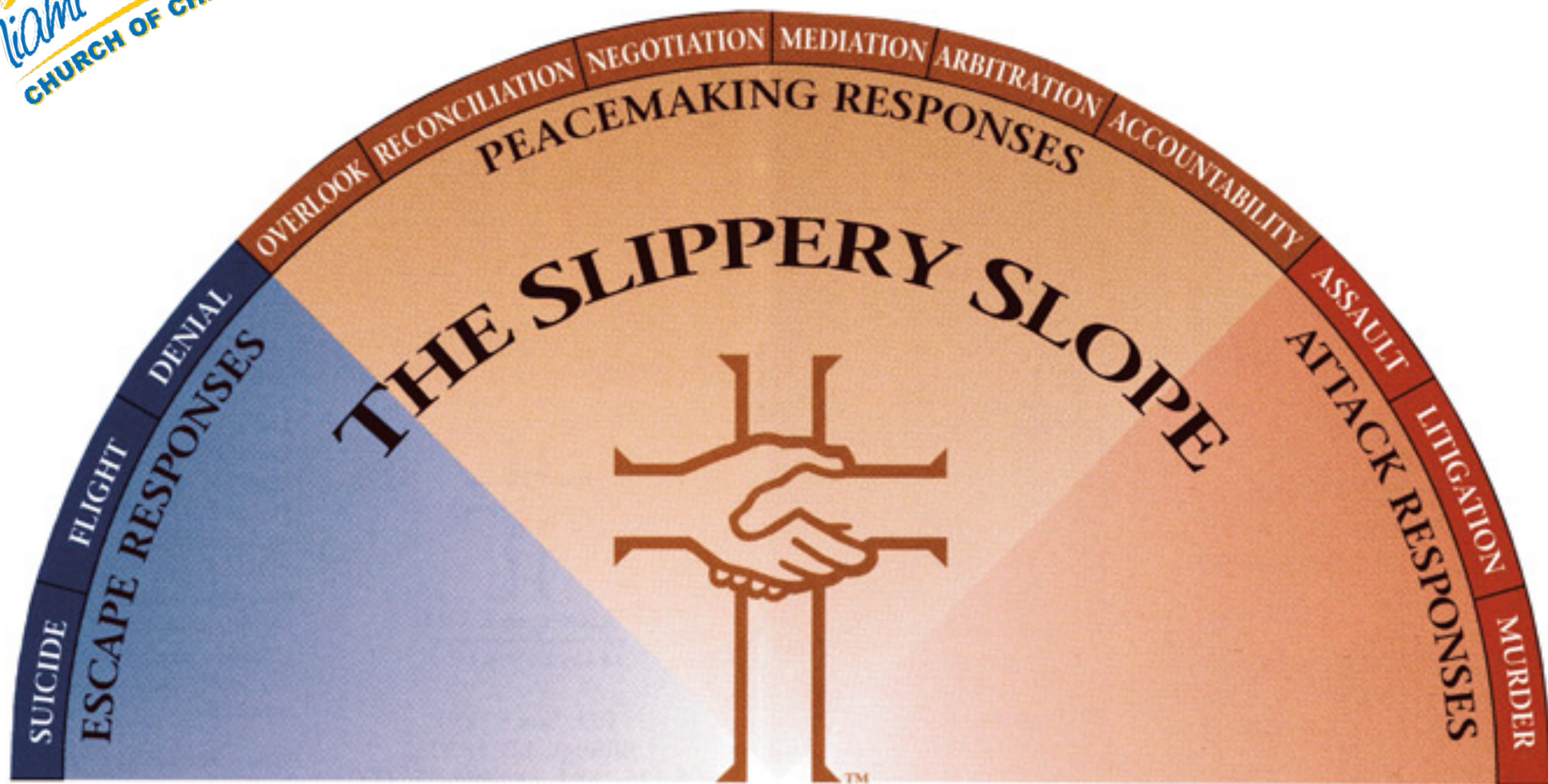




BECOMING PEACEMAKERS
CONFLICT CREATES CONNECTION





Conflict Responses

Escape responses

Attack responses

Peace Making responses

Escape Responses

Denial | Genesis 16:1-6

Flight | Genesis 16:6-8

Suicide | 1 Samuel 31:4

Attack Responses
Assault responses
Litigation responses
Murder responses

Escape Responses

Assuatl | Acts 6:8-13

Litigation | 1 Corinthians 6:1-8

Murder | 1 John 3:5

Peacemaker Responses

Overlook

Reconciliation

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Overlook - Proverbs 19:11; 12:16; 17:14

Col 3:13; 1 Peter 4:8

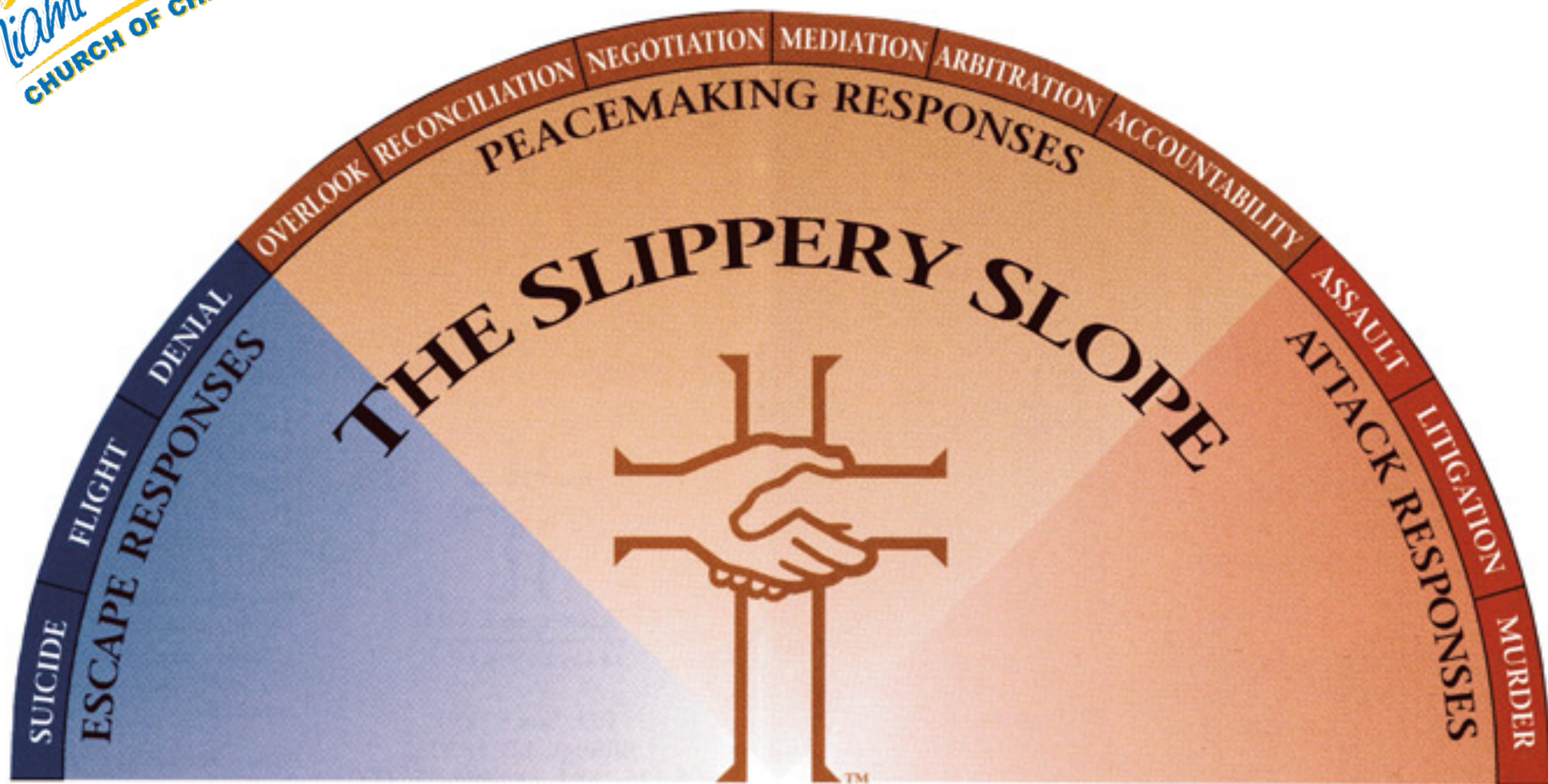
Reconciliation - Matt 5:23-24

Negotiation - Phil 2:4

Mediation - Matt 18:16

Arbitration - 1 Cor 6:4

Accountability - Matt 18:17



A Biblical View of Conflict

**conflict is a difference in opinion or purpose
that frustrates someone's goals or desires**

A Biblical View of Conflict

- 1. Misunderstanding resulting from poor communication
(Josh 22:10-34)**
- 2. Differences in values, goals, gifts, calling, priorities, expectations interests, or opinions can also lead to conflict
(Acts 15:39)**
- 3. Competition over limited resources (Gen 13:1-12)**
- 4. Sinful attitudes and habits that lead to sinful words and actions (James 4:1-2)**

A Biblical View of Conflict

“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God - even as I try to please everybody in every day. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that there may be saved.” 1 Corinthians 10:31

Glorify God

Psalm 37:31 | “The law of his God is in his heart; his feet do not slip.”

Serve Others

Luke 6:27-28 | “Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.”

Grow to be like Christ

Luke 22:41-44 | 41 He withdrew about a stone's throw beyond them, knelt down and prayed, 42 "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." 43 An angel from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. 44 And being in anguish, he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat was like drops of blood falling to the ground. 4

So How do we become a peacemaker?

- 1. Ask God to help you resist the natural inclination to escape or attack when faced with conflict**
- 2. Ask Him to help you develop the ability to live out the gospel by becoming the best peacemaker in the particular conflicts you find yourself in.**
- 3. Ask yourself how you can please God and honor Him in this situation?**

How can I please and
honor God in this
situation?

1 Corinthians 10:31

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