# RESOLUTION OF QUARRELS IN THE HOUSE OF GOD

## COLOSSIANS 3:13

1. **A DEFINITION OF "QUARREL" IS SIMPLY THAT ONE BELIEVER FEELS ANOTHER IS AT FAULT**
   1. The Verb Form Of The Noun In Question Has Reference To A "Debt That Is Owed"
   2. There Is The Perception Of Some Negligence Or Oversight Of Duty That The Other Party Felt Was Due Him Pertaining To A Particular Circumstance Or The Relationship In General
2. **NOTE WHERE GOD PLACES THE BURDEN FOR THE RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM**
   1. There Are Other Passages Of Scripture Where God Places The Responsibility On The Offender
   2. Here, It Is Placed On The Shoulders Of The Person Who Has Been Offended  
      1. In One Scenario He May Have To Be *"Forbearing"*
         1. There May Not Necessarily Be Any Sin Involved
         2. You Simply Need To Endure The Irritant
         3. This Is Particularly True In Reciprocal Relationships Where It Is Legitimate To Expect Something From Both Parties
      2. In Another Scenario He May Have To Go The Extra Mile And Be *"Forgiving"*
         1. Sin Is Definitely Involved
         2. You Simply Dismiss The Offense
         3. An Expectation Of Reciprocity Was Not In The Picture
3. **THE MOTIVE FOR EXERCISING FORGIVENESS IS: *EVEN AS CHRIST FORGAVE YOU***