

RE-ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

Instructions Not Included

When it comes to repairing relationships, no one responds well to being convinced, coerced, convicted, or controlled. Yet we try those approaches over and over again.

Discussion Questions

1. If someone were to examine your past (and perhaps current) strained relationships, what grade would they give you in terms of the effort you put into repairing those relationships? *Why?*
 2. Which of these four relational tools do you reach for first when conflict arises: convince, coerce, convict, or control?
 3. Do you have friends or family members who are estranged from members of their families? From where you sit, what's keeping the feuds alive?
 4. If you are estranged from a friend or family member, what's stopping you from taking steps to repair it?
 5. Read **Philippians 2:1–8**. What stands out to you? How could applying some of the phrases you read help you take steps in repairing a relationship?
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