

CONFLICTS:

THE
GOOD &
THE BAD



Now Korah the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, and On the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men; ² and they rose up before Moses with some of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty leaders of the congregation, representatives of the congregation, men of renown.

Numbers 16:1–3



³ They gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, “You take too much upon yourselves, for all the congregation is holy, every one of them, and the Lord is among them. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the Lord?”

Numbers 16:1–3



And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, but they said, “We will not come up! ¹³ Is it a small thing that you have brought us up out of a land flowing with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, that you should keep acting like a prince over us? ¹⁴ Moreover you have not brought us into a land flowing with milk and honey, nor given us inheritance of fields and vineyards. Will you put out the eyes of these men? We will not come up!”



Numbers 16:12-14



Then **Moses was very angry**, and said to the Lord, “Do not respect their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them, nor have I hurt one of them.”

Numbers 16:15



1 THE PURPOSE OF CONFLICT



KORAH'S REBELLION RAISES THE QUESTION:

AN **EGALITARIAN SOCIETY** OR NOT?



“FOR **ALL** THE
CONGREGATION IS HOLY”

God established a covenant
NOT with a **MAN** but with
the **WHOLE NATION.**



HOW DO WE **KNOW THE PURPOSE** OF OUR CONFLICT?

How do we frame
our *'opponents'*?

1

Blame *or*
responsibility?

2

Verity
or victory?

3



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THE RESOLUTION OF CONFLICT



THE **RESOLUTION** OF CONFLICT

1

LOSE-LOSE
SITUATION

2

WIN-WIN
SITUATION



ALMOND BLOSSOMS



1

The first tree to
bloom after winter.

2

The promises
of God.

3

Seeing through
His light.

