

Reconciliation Specialization Exam | Study Guide

When you are prepared to take the exam, please send an e-mail to the Director of Training Center Certification at sstephens@biblicalcounseling.com with the following information:

- The year you became a certified member/counselor with ACBC
- The name of the ACBC Certified Training Center where you received your specialization training and instruction
- The name of the Director of the ACBC Certified Training Center where you received your specialization training and instruction
- The titles of the lectures along with the name(s) of the instructor(s) for each lecture (Please note that 100% of the training must be provided by an ACBC Certified Member who has earned the Reconciliation Counseling Specialization).
- The titles of the required books you have read including the total number of pages you have completed for each book. (This should equal to 700 pages in total)

Access to the exam will not be granted until you have answered each of these questions to the satisfaction of the Director of Training Center Certification.

Once the above information has been validated, you will be granted access to the exam.

The Reconciliation Specialization Exam contains two parts:

Part 1 | Multiple Choice and True/False Questions

- Closed Note / Book / Bible
- Online Format

NOTE: Once you successfully pass Part 1, the Membership Services Coordinator will grant you access to Part 2.

Part 2 | Short Answer Counseling Case Studies

- Closed Note / Book
- Open Bible
- Word Document Format

NOTE: There is a \$50.00 fee associated with Part 2.

Key Concepts and Passages

Be conversant on the following key passages related to the theology of relationships, reconciliation, forgiveness, peace-making, and avoiding anger. By “conversant” we mean that you understand the basic principle(s) within the passage and how each passage fits within the biblical model of reconciliation counseling.

- Proverbs 19:11
- Matthew 5:2-11; 12:33-37; 15:1-20; 18:15-35
- Mark 7:14-23
- 1 Corinthians 10:23-32
- 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:13
- Galatians 6:1-5
- Ephesians 4:25-32; 6:5-9
- Philippians 2:1-11
- Colossians 3:5-17, 22-25
- James 4:1-12
- 1 Peter 4:11; 5:5-11

Understand how idolatry arouses and contributes to conflict.

Be able to identify and apply key principles and passages related to familial conflict resolution.

Be able to identify and apply the peacemaking principle found in Matthew 7.

Be prepared to plan and execute a mediation meeting.

Be able to identify and apply the following principles from Ken Sande’s *The Peacemaker*:

- The causes of conflict
- The opportunity presented by conflict
- The Four G’s of Conflict Resolution
- The P.A.U.S.E. Principle
- Seven A’s of Confession
- The Process of Mediation Meetings

Be able to identify and apply the following principles from Dr. Robert Jones’ *Pursuing Peace*:

- Conflict resolution when others refuse to change
- The importance and effects of pleasing God amid conflict
- The process of self-examination amid conflict
- How to apply the principles of Matthew 7 to conflict resolution
- How the work of conflict resolution relates to redemptive history