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**Two Tribes:
Experiences in Purpose, Reason and Need in Reconciliation.**

The meaning of the peace and reconciliation process is questioned. The three elements of the process, conflict, peace and reconciliation, are identified as possibly ambiguous. To elucidate the problems and highlight issues, personal experiences of two cultures living together in the North West Kimberley region of Australia are given. The question of practical need is raised in relation to reconciliation. This is further elucidated by briefly examining the nature of purpose, reason and need, concluding that without need, there is no foundation for reason, without reason, there is no direction for purpose.