

Matthew 5:9

The Beatitudes: Blessed are the Peacemakers (Part 3)

Application: The 4 “G’s” of Peacemaking

Get the Log out of your Eye

1. How am I approaching the issue?

2. How have I sinned?

Application of Matthew 5:9

1. How does the illustration of the brick wall help you understand the impact of unresolved conflict?
 - a. Are there bricks or walls between you and anyone else? If so, how do you need to respond?
2. Consider the following questions when you’re on the verge of or have just entered the warzone of conflict:
 - a. Is the problem real or perceived?
 - b. Is the issue a sin, a mistake, or a preference?
 - c. Is there clear evidence of sin or does it lack evidence?
 - d. If it is sin, is it minor or major?
 - e. Is it a one-off sin or a habit?
 - f. Is the sin negatively affecting how I relate with or view the person or can we continue in harmonious relationship?
 - g. Is this really worth fighting over?
3. Are there any sins or issues you should actively choose to “overlook” to promote peace between you and another party? See Prov 10:12; 17:9, 14; 19:11; Eph 4:2; 1 Pet 4:8
 - a. Note: Overlooking a sin isn’t ignoring it, but actively and intentionally choosing to not dwell on it, not keep a record of it, not talk to others about, and for the best interest of the other person and your relationship. Remember: this is how God deals with us!
4. What’s the cause of conflict (see James 4:1-2; cf. Matt 15:19)?
 - a. Consider the following questions as you seek to understand your internal sinful desires:
 - i. what do I want so much I’m willing to sin to get it or stop from losing it?
 - ii. What’s my strongest desire in this moment? The glory of God or something else?
 - iii. Why am I acting or thinking this way?
 - iv. What am I worried or fearful about?
 - v. If only ... [fill in the blank] ... then I’d be happy and fulfilled.
5. What words/actions towards others do you need to repent of and who do you need to repent to?

Reading this week: Read Matt 5:3-10 each day this week.

Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date _____

Pastor _____

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u> <i>The B _____:</i> <i>B _____ are the P _____ (Part __)</i>	<u>Other Bible References:</u>
<u>Chapter</u>	Get the L _____ out of your E _____ 1. How am I approaching the I _____?	
<u>Verses</u>	2. How have I S _____?	

Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God/Yahweh/ Father	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Conflict/Sin Problem	Peace	Peacemaker(s)/ Peacemaking	Us

What is the message about? _____

How can you do this? _____

What/who can you pray for? _____

Draw a picture related to the message: