

GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS WEEK OF OCT 9 2016

TEXT: MATTHEW 5:21-26

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PRACTICE RECONCILIATION

Take a little time to review this week's sermon. Using your sermon notes and your Bible, answer the following questions before the group meeting. Write out your answers so you'll feel more comfortable sharing them with the group. Have a great time!

I. Getting to Know You

How did you experience God working in your life this week? How can we pray for you?

II. Digging Deeper

1. How do our attitudes affect our words according to verses 21 & 22?
2. Note the ways anger can be harmful to others as well as ourselves according to verses 21-22. List 2 or 3 steps we can take to minimize anger's dangerous possibilities.
3. Can we truly worship with unreconciled relationships according to verses 23-24? What if the other party is unwilling to reconcile with you?

4. Based on verses 25-26, is it ever ok to take an issue to court? Who should initiate reconciliation according to these verses?

5. What overall lesson do you learn about reconciliation from Matthew 5:21-26?

III. Making it Personal

6. How are your primary relationships doing? Has unresolved anger had a negative impact on them?
7. Do you think your attitude generally promotes harmony and reconciliation? How can you improve it?
8. Is there a relationship you need to seek to mend? Make a plan to address it as soon as you can.

IV. Prayer