



Blessed, Pt. 7: Peacemakers

We live in a world of conflict between nations, political parties, classes of people, friends, and even between family members. Jesus taught that those in his kingdom would be characterized as peacemakers. So what kind of peace was Jesus talking about, and how can we grow in this characteristic?

Bottom Line: Peace must be pursued to be achieved.

Discussion Questions:

1. When you face conflict, are you a skunk (stink up the place), a turtle (withdraw to a safe place), or a possum (pretend it isn't happening)?
2. What is the hardest thing for you in pursuing peace in relationships with conflict?
3. **Read Matthew 5:3-10 and Ephesians 4:22-32.** What insights do these passages offer in pursuing peace in interpersonal relationships?
4. **Read 1 Peter 3:13-18.** How could you better prepare yourself to give the hope that you have in Jesus?
5. **Read Romans 4:25 - 5:3 and 10:9-17.** In what ways are you active in leading people to faith in Jesus?
6. What is the one thing you will do this week in response to this message?
7. What was the most helpful, encouraging, or challenging thought/idea from the message this week? How did it help or challenge you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?