



KINGDOM HAPPINESS

HAPPY ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

Matthew 5:9

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PREACHING POINT: The genuine marker of a child of God is diligently laboring, even at great personal cost, to be peacemakers in every sphere of life.

1. Recount _____

Matthew 5:9

9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. (ESV)

2. Sacrifice _____

3. Be _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others. For more information about LifeGroups at Compass Bible Church that utilize these questions as the basis for their weekly discussion, please visit compasshillcountry.org/lifegroups or email us at info@compasshillcountry.org.

1. What is one observation or application you found helpful from this week's sermon?
2. Read [Isaiah 53:4-6](#) and [Ephesians 2:13-18](#). How does recounting the tremendous personal cost Jesus went through on your behalf to make peace between you and God help you define the personal cost of being a peacemaker?
 - a. Read [Daniel 7:13-14](#), [Hebrews 12:1-2](#) and [Revelation 5:9-13](#). Compare the cost that Jesus went through to make peace between God and man with the reward that Jesus receives at the resurrection of the saints.
 - b. How does the Joy set before Christ and His perseverance motivate you to bear the pain associated with peacemaking knowing that there is great reward awaiting faithful ambassadors of Christ?
3. What sacrifices are often necessary to be an effective peacemaker? Why did you choose your answer?
4. Read [1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1](#). What does this verse teach you about how the Bible prioritizes peace with God through Christ and peace with others over an individual's comforts and personal preferences?
 - a. What personal preferences and comforts do you often prioritize over peacemaking?
5. Read [Romans 10:13-15](#) and [2 Corinthians 5:17-20](#). How do these two scriptures stress the importance of your personal involvement in sharing the gospel with others in order for them to make peace with God?
6. Read [John 13:34-35](#). How does a Christian's inability to be a peacemaker in every sphere of their life severely hinder their ability to be ambassadors for Christ?
7. Read [Colossians 3:12-14](#). Why is the way church members handle conflict with one another a major indicator of a church's understanding of the gospel?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

May 7th

1 Kings 14-15 & John 1:1-28

May 8th

1 Kings 16-18 & John 1:29-51

May 9th

1 Kings 19-20 & John 2

May 10th

1 Kings 21-22 & John 3:1-21

May 11th

2 Kings 1-3 & John 3:22-36

May 12th

2 Kings 4-5 & John 4:1-30

May 13th

2 Kings 6-8 & John 4:31-54

May 14th

2 Kings 9-11 & John 5:1-24

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