St. Joseph Island Free Methodist Church SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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A Sermon and Small Group Series on BUILDING BRIDGES How to Handle Conflict in Your Relationships



#6 Be a Peacemaker

Based on the message given by Pastor Adrian Collins on Sunday February 25, 2018. It can be listened to at www.islandfmc.ca

1. Read Matthew 5:9. What is the difference between a peacemaker and a peacekeeper? Which one describes you better?

2. What kinds of things prevent you from approaching someone to make peace? Are you approachable? How do you respond when someone comes to you feeling offended?

3. Read Hebrews 12:14, Romans 12:16-18 and 14:19. How are you working to live in peace with other people? What practical steps could lead to greater peacemaking in the body of Christ?

4. Read Matthew 10:34-39. How do you reconcile this with Jesus' words in Matthew 5:9; "Blessed are the peacemakers"? To what extent are we called to be peacemakers?

5. Read and reflect on this quote from John Coblentz. "Being a peacemaker is not first about learning the right tactics – not even learning the Biblical approaches to conflicts. Unfortunately, people can learn and teach the "Matthew 18 approach" and not be peacemakers at all. Being a peacemaker has first to do with the kind of heart we have."



Ask each person for any prayer requests. Pray for those requests, and close by asking the Lord to help us build bridges in our relationships.

Prayer Requests

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