BE : ATTITUDES

Week 7 – Family Resemblance

<u>Tom Hammel – Oct 20th, 2024</u>

KEY SCRIPTURE – Matthew 5:1-9 (NIV) The Beatitudes He said: ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. ⁵ Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. ⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

for they will be filled. ⁷ Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

⁸Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

⁹Blessed are the peacemakers,

for they will be called sons of God.

1. What is a <u>peacemaker?</u>

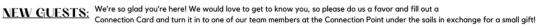
Isaiah 52:7 (NIV84) How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation.....

2. Peacemaking in <u>action</u>.

A. Reconciling <u>relationships.</u>	Ephesians 4:2-3
B. Bridging <u>divides .</u>	Ephesians 2:14
C. The <u>source of peace.</u>	2 Corinthians 5:18-19

3. Why Are Peacemakers Called "Sons of God"?

- A. Reflecting the <u>character</u> of God. Colossians 1:19-20
- B. Bearing the Family resemblance. Romans 8:14
- C. Inheriting the kingdom of God. Matthew 5:9



KIDS O-5th CRADE: Children 0-5 years old are in the Upstairs Auditorium. School aged kids are in The Current. JR HIGH: Join our 6th-8th graders in the UnderCurrent during our 9 & 10:30 am services.







Women 18+

Tuesdays | 6:30 pm The Current



Young Adults (18-25)

Tuesdays | 7:00 pm Upstairs Auditorium



Jr. High & High School

Wednesdays 6:30 pm The Current



Men 18

Thursdays 6:30 pm The Current

City Group Discussion Questions:

1. What does the term "peacemaker" mean to you, and how is it different from simply being a "peacekeeper"?

2. Can you think of a time in your life when you actively had to make peace between two people or groups? What was the outcome?

3. How do humility and patience play a role in reconciling broken relationships, as mentioned in Ephesians 4:2-3?

4. In what ways can we, as Christians, work to "bridge divides" in our current cultural or social context?

5. How do justice and righteousness relate to peacemaking? Why do you think peace cannot exist without them?

6. How can we point others to the "Prince of Peace" (Jesus) in our everyday lives? What are practical ways to share His peace?

7. Why do you think Jesus specifically calls peacemakers "sons of God"? How does peacemaking reflect the character of God?

8. How can we remain peaceful and seek reconciliation in situations where others are resistant or unwilling to make peace?

9. What are some barriers to peacemaking in your own life or community? How can these barriers be overcome through faith and action?