

#BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

GETTING STARTED

Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called "Sons of God". How can we fight the good fight of Christian peacemaking? It is easy to steer into the pitfalls of combativeness or passivity. But Jesus calls us a to a better way, a gospel way.

READ THE TEXT: Matthew 5:7

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UNDERSTAND THE TEXT

- 1. What does Peace mean in Scripture and how it is different than our modern notions of peace?
- 2. What hope does Jesus give for those who bring peace into the world? Why does this matter?

APPLY THE TEXT

- 1. Do you tend to be someone who is more combative or passive? How might you grow into a better peacemaker?
- 2. How does the gospel change our view of people from different backgrounds, ethnicities, and gender? (Eph 2:13-17; Gal 3:28)

SHARE & PRAY

1. What a timely cultural moment for us to come to this Beatitude. We are called to do more than pray but never less than pray. Prayer — specifically intercession



- (prayer on behalf of others and against the principalities of darkness) is our most effective tool. Spend time interceding for others and praying for peace.
- 2. Check in with each other and see how you can pray for each other and join together in praying for each of your mission fields.

