



Week 18 - January 13th Peacemaking – A Call to Action

In the fifth century a little monk named Telemachus from Asia was led by an inner voice to go to Rome without knowing why. He followed the crowds to the Coliseum. Two gladiators were fighting, and Telemachus tried to get between them to stop them, shouting three times, “In the name of Christ, forbear!” The spectators were indignant and stoned the peacemaker to death. Because of Telemachus’ death, three days later, the Emperor by decree ended the Games.

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Sometimes being a peacemaker requires confrontation and we don’t always see the result of our actions.

Scripture

Read Matthew 5:8-10

Discovery Questions

1. This scripture is commonly known as the Beatitudes. List the characteristics of people who will be blessed.
2. What will Peacemakers be called? (v.9)

3. Why do you think Jesus talked about persecution right after mentioning Peacemakers?
4. Can you think of any specific situations in your life now where God is calling you to be a peacemaker?

Journaling

Which verse spoke most powerfully to me? Why?

Prayer: Spend some time in prayer conversing with your God. Use the following ideas as a potential guide to your prayer time.

Ask the Lord to direct your words and actions in becoming a peacemaker.