

Small Group Discussion Questions Following the Weekend of February 29 – March 1, 2020

Please don't feel you have to answer every question.

How to Have a Fair Fight

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Icebreaker

What physical object best depicts the word “conflict” for you, and why?

During your growing-up years, what did your parents and other significant adults communicate to you (either verbally or non-verbally) about conflict and the resolution of differences?

Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud the following verses: Romans 12:18; Romans 14:19; 2 Corinthians 13:11; Ephesians 4:3; and Matthew 5:9.

What strikes you, intrigues you, or uniquely speaks to you from these verses – words, phrases, or perhaps something else – especially in conjunction with the focus of this week's message?

What stood out to you from the message this weekend, or maybe created some push-back or inner tensions for you?

In what ways was your understanding of conflict impacted by this weekend's message?

In general, when it comes to engaging in conflict, what is your usual approach to conflict and why?

How have your relationships been positively or negatively impacted by this? Give a specific example, if possible.

Who is someone the Holy Spirit recalled – either during this weekend's message or in your group discussion – with whom you have an unresolved conflict right now?

What are you going to do to begin the process of reconciliation this week?

Considering the person and conflict above ...

Is there anything you personally need to own that has either contributed to this conflict or kept it from being resolved? (Matthew 7:1-5)

As you engage this person in conversation, what will you share to complete the “*I notice ...*” and “*I feel ...*” phrases mentioned in this weekend's message?

Often our difficulty in moving toward relational conflict is fear. What have you found to be helpful in dealing with this fear in order to be a more effective peacemaker?

How can your group be praying for you and supporting you in response to this week's message and group discussion?