



# The Beatitudes

## Discussion Guide – Blessed are The Peacemakers

### Main Idea

This week, Pastor Matt taught on the seventh of the eight Beatitudes: “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God” (Matthew 5:9 NIV). In a world that is so bent on being divisive, we are called to be peacemakers. Not just peace keepers, but fully involve in the process of bringing peace. We first have to experience peace in our hearts, by experiencing peace with God, within ourselves, and within our circumstances. Then, we can extend peace through our lives:

### Make It Practical

- Stay focused on the real issue
- See others through God’s eyes
- Spread peace by living peace

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**Matthew 5:9**

### Talk About It

1. Would you describe yourself as a peaceful person? Why or why not?
2. What is the biggest threat to your peace on a regular basis? What can you do to experience sustaining peace despite this difficulty in your life?
3. What opportunities do you have to make peace in the world around you? What does that look like practically?

**“Be the peace you wish to see in the world.”**

**~Martin Luther King, Jr.**

## **Prayer**

Jesus, we desire to be the peace makers that you have called us to be. Help us to find peace from you in our own lives. Then, help us to offer that same peace to our hurting world. In Your name, Amen.

## **Leader Tips**

Share a moment where you had to depend on God for your peace. Sharing your vulnerability will help others open their eyes to times they needed peace in their past too.

## **Scriptures Used**

Matthew 5:9, Jeremiah 6:14, Romans 5:1-2, Philippians 4:6-7, John 16:33, John 10:10, Genesis 1:27, James 3:18, John 17:22-23