

**NORMS FOR THE KINGDOM:
“Peacemakers”
Matthew 5:9**

- 1. What Is a Peacemaker?**
- 2. What Biblical Peace Is Not**
- 3. What Is Biblical Peace?**
- 4. Making Peace**
- 5. What Are Peacemakers Called?**

Life Group Questions
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Opener: Share a time when you compromised in order to keep the peace.

1. Review Matthew 5:3–8. How does this Beatitude build on the previous Beatitudes?
2. Define peacemaker.
 - What is a peacemaker? What is a peacemaker not?
 - What is the difference between a peacemaker and a peacekeeper?
 - Does peace mean the absence of conflict?
3. 1 Cor 14:26–33; Phil 4: 8–9. God is not a God of disorder. He is a God of peace. How have you experienced the peace of God recently? If you are in need of God’s peace, what are some things you need to do?
4. Read Col 1:15–23; Eph 2:11–22. Biblical peace is the pursuit of right relationships with both God and man. Explain in your own words how Jesus made peace between us and God.
5. Read Isaiah 52:7; 2 Cor 5:11–21. How does a peacemaker make peace? Discuss what the ministry of believers is. How can you engage in that ministry personally and as a group?

Memory Verses: Matthew 5:3–9 ESV

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger & thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God”