

## Devotional 2: Be — A Way of Being

**Theme:** *Living as a Peacemaker in a World of Rivalry*

**Scripture Focus:** *Matthew 5:9*



“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”

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Take a breath. Slow down. Be still.

Today's theme might surprise you. It's not about **doing** more. It's about **being fully present**.

You're not being sent to fix problems.

You're being *invited* to be present with God, with your team, and with the people already doing kingdom work.

This isn't about earning your worth.

This is about *being formed*.

Jesus was a peacemaker. He didn't rush, dominate, or disappear.

He *showed up* — curiously, humbly, and fully.

So must we.

### Ask Yourself:

- What kind of presence will I bring?
- Am I entering this space with expectations to impress... or with a heart to *be*?

You don't need to have all the answers.

You just need to **be** present. Open. Rooted in Christ.

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### Reflection Space

- What's your usual response in unfamiliar situations: to rush in or pull away?
  - How can you *practice presence* in the face of discomfort during this trip?
  - What are the things you need God to take hold of so you can be fully present this week?
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**Prayer:**

*Jesus, help me be. Not just to do good things, but to become someone shaped by You — present to Your Spirit, to others, and to the sacred work around me.*

Amen.

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