

TAKE HOME SHEET



Series: I'm Glad You Said That
Message: Is There Anything You Need?
Speaker: Rusty Coram
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This is something that would be especially valuable to discuss with others.

Slowly read the following passage:

¹⁴ Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. ¹⁸ Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone. Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I will take revenge; I will pay them back says the LORD."

Romans 12:14–21 (NLT)

How do you respond internally to the command to "*do all you can to live in peace with everyone?*"

Do you know any good examples of this being adopted?

Why is it so hard to do?

This week's statement, "*Is there anything you need?*" sounds easy enough. What are some things that can interfere with us saying this humbly and without ulterior motives?

Read the passages in the notes.

How could humbly and regularly offering this statement to others positively impact their lives? My life?

Who is God putting on my mind to offer this to this week?

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NASB – New American Standard
NLT – New Living Translation

MESSAGE NOTES



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When it comes to relationships, those who follow Jesus have a very clear standard to live up to.

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Romans 12:17–19 (NLT)

How we use our words really matters.

There is one who speaks rashly like the thrusts of a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.

Proverbs 12:18 (NASB)

Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.

Ephesians 4:29 (NLT)

One of the most important things we can do is to seek reconciliation when we have wronged someone – God, another person, or both.

The first statement in our series: "I was wrong, please forgive me."

The second statement: "Is there anything you need?"

To live this out will require resisting the incessant pull of "WAM?". (What About Me?)

³ Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.

⁵ You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

Philippians 2:3–5 (NLT)

Followers of Jesus can relate this way because we have God and His promises as our foundation.

The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need.

Psalms 23:1 (NLT)

And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19 (NLT)

⁹ Fear the Lord, you his godly people, for those who fear him will have all they need. ¹⁰ Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those who trust in the Lord will lack no good thing.

Psalms 34:9–10 (NLT)

For anyone aspiring to leadership...

¹¹ The greatest among you must be a servant.

¹² But those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Matthew 23:11–12 (NLT)

We should not limit our asking "Is there anything you need?" only to those who will reciprocate or appreciate it.

²⁰ If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals of shame on their heads. ²¹ Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good.

Romans 12:20–21 (NLT)