SERIES: KINGDOM LIVING **MESSAGE:** Principles for Kingdom Life (continued) **TEXT:** Matthew 5:9–12

- I. Live by the Peacemaking Principle. (v. 9; Rom. 12:18–20; Rom. 14:19)
 - A. Understanding Enmity
 - 1. The cause of enmity. (Gen. 3:6–8; James 4:1–3)
 - 2. The curse of enmity. (James 1:14–15; Rom. 6:23)
 - 3. The cure for enmity. (Rom. 6:23; Rom. 3:23– 26; Gal. 3:13–14)
 - B. Understanding Reconciliation
 - 1. The mission of reconciliation. (2Cor. 5:17, 18; Gal. 4:4)
 - 2. The means of reconciliations. (2Cor. 5:18, 21; 1Tim. 2:5; Titus 3:4–7)
 - 3. The message of reconciliation. (2Cor. 5:19, 20)
 - 4. The ministry of reconciliation. (James 3:13–18; Rom. 1:16, 17)
- II. Live by the Persecution Principle. (vv. 10–12)
 - A. The reality of persecution. (2Tim. 3:12)
 - B. The reason for persecution. (John 3:20; John 15:18–21; 16:2–4)
 - C. The rejoicing in persecution. (v. 11; 1Pet. 2:21–23; 1Pet. 3:14–16; 1Pet. 4:12–19)
 - D. The reward for persecution. (v. 12; 2Tim. 1:12; 4:8; Rev. 20:4)