PEACEMAKERS

Order of Service - August 16, 2020

Worship Team..... Glorious Day

Welcome

Worship Team...... You Deserve It All

Tremble

Message...... Senior Pastor Jay Bruner

Peacemakers (Week 4)

Offering/Dismissal

How To Bring Peace In An Angry World

God blesses those who **WORK FOR PEACE**, for they will be called the children of God. **Matthew 5:9 (NLT)**

HOW TO DO THE WORK OF BRINGING PEACE

The Pathway to Making Peace: A Case Study of John 21:1-21

1. Take the initiative to seek out the <u>damaged</u>.

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee... John 21:1 (NLT)

2. When you find the damaged, begin by blessing them.

When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread... Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. John 21:9 & 12 (NIV)

3. Seek to sympathize.

After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"... John 21:15 (NLT)

4. Focus on the issue behind the anger, not the individual.

The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?"... John 21:17 (NLT)

5. Choose to be the agent of healing.

..."Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep." John 21:17 (NLT)

This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command.

John 15:12-14 (NLT)

6. Let the past be the past. Forgive and choose not to remember.

...Then Jesus said to him, "Follow me." John 21:19 (NLT)

7. Go do good together - for God's glory and the world's good.

Jesus said, (let's go) "Feed my sheep." John 21:17 (NIV)

Going deeper on your own: Pastor Jay said, "Our Jesus-ness should out-trump everything else we may think." Do you agree or disagree? If you truly believe that peacemaking is your responsibility, how does that change your life? Have you ever accepted someone's blame to help heal a relationship between other people? Would you? Sounds crazy, right? Obviously, this is what Christ has done for us. If you could be the healing agent between two people, would you? Now read the following three passages and write out what God is encouraging you to do: Romans 12:17-21, 1 Peter 3:8-11, and Matthew 5:9. This week, challenge yourself to be a PEACEMAKER.