

Deeper In God

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CURRENT SERIES: *Children of the King*

TODAY'S MESSAGE: "Conflict Resolution in the Kingdom"

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Matthew 18:15-35 (Psalm 32:1-2)

TODAY'S BIG IDEA: You can't have an open heart if you have a closed fist.

Reflect: What's your "go to" move when you face conflict in a relationship? Is conflict hard for you?

Reflect: Jesus suggests that the most important thing we can do is to seek clarity and reconciliation when we're at odds with one another. Is it hard for you to bring to someone's attention something they've done to wrong you?

Reflect: Jesus seems to imply that if we can't get the resolution we want, we should kick that person to the curb. The problem is that's not what he's saying. He's inviting us to reengage the relationship from the angle of treating that person like they're still living like an outsider in the church. How did Jesus treat tax collectors and sinners?

Reflect: Jesus has some tough things to say about forgiveness. Is forgiveness easy or difficult for you?

Reflect: Jesus seems to imply that if we're shown mercy, but don't share mercy, then what we've been given may be taken from us. Read the parable that Jesus teaches from in Matthew 18:21-35 again. What do you think he's saying here?

Rest & Reflect: Days 6 & 7 are days of rest and reflection. Use these days to dig a bit deeper if you feel inspired.