

The Gathering Message Series

Current Series: Relationships From A Different Point Of View

- I. Who Is Your Relational Teacher: (Genesis 1; James 3:13-18)
- II. The Purpose Of God In The Seasons Of Life: (Eccl. 3:1-11)
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- VI. The Measure Of A Woman: (Ephesians 5:21-33; Prov. 31)
- VII. The Purposeful Development Of Friendship: (John 15:4-17)
- VIII. Imitating Christ As A Friend & Love-Giver: (John 17:18-26)
- IX. Imitating Christ As A Teacher & Mentor: (John 21:6-19)
- X. Imitating Christ As A Leader & Visionary: (John 13:1-17)
- XI. Imitating Christ As A Protector & Defender: (John 10:10-14)
- XII. Imitating Christ as a Peacemaker & Reconciler (Col. 1:15-23)**

Announcements

- ◆ If this is your first time to the Gathering, be sure to pick up a **First Timer Gift Bag** on the visitor information table.
- ◆ If you don't have a place to study the Bible on Sunday morning, please join one of our **LIFE Bible Study Classes**.
- ◆ The next **Gathering** will be June 16th @ 7:30p.m. We also invite you to the **prayer** meeting at 7:00pm.
- ◆ Mark your calendar for the **Raleigh Gardens Back-To-School** service project on Saturday, June 19.

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<http://www.providence-sermons.com/>

Welcome To The Gathering

Why Are We Here?

We exist to glorify God
by equipping single
adults to live lives of...

Worship
John 4:24

Maturity
John 15:8

Witness
Acts 1:8

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It is our desire that you
join us in this pursuit.

Imitating Christ As A Peacemaker & Reconciler Colossians 1:15-23; Matthew 18:15-18

I. Seek To Imitate Jesus As A _____ And _____:
(Colossians 1:15-23)

- A. By declaring God's _____ (v.15)
- B. By affirming God's _____ (vv.16-18)
- C. By proclaiming God's _____ (vv.19-20)
- D. By trumpeting God's _____ (vv.21-23)

II. Choose to _____ peace in a hostile world

- A. Pursue peace with all _____ (Romans 12:18)
- B. Pursue peace with all _____ (Ephesians 4:1-3)
- C. Pursue peace _____ with all believers (Hebrews 12:14)

III. Commit to the _____ of peace within the church
(Matthew 18:15-18)

- A. _____ humility by considering the reconciliation that God has accomplished with you. (James 4:1; Proverbs 19:11)
- B. _____ sin and repent of any contribution you have made to the conflict (Matthew 7:5)
- C. _____ graciously, lovingly, and privately (Matt. 18:15)
- D. _____ the situation through wise counsel (Matt. 18:16)
- E. _____ the situation to the local church (Matt. 18:17-18)

Truth To Build Your Life Upon

Ephesians 5:1-2—Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

1 Peter 2:24—He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

Romans 12:18—If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.

Ephesians 4:1-3—Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Hebrews 12:14—Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord.

James 4:1—What is the source of quarrels and conflicts among you? Is not the source your pleasures that wage war in your members?

Proverbs 19:11—A man's discretion makes him slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook a transgression.

Matthew 7:5—You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

1 Peter 4:8—Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.

Matthew 5:9—Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.