

DISCUSSION GUIDE

PEACEFUL PEOPLE - PEACEMAKERS

Key Scriptures:

Matthew 5:9, Romans 14:19, Ephesians 4:15, James 5:16, Matthew 18:15-17, Romans 12:18

River Ridge Core Value:

WE NEVER STOP GROWING

Getting Started:

1. In order to “keep the peace”, are there subjects you don’t talk about at family functions?
2. What is the craziest thing that ever happened when something got brought up?

Digging Deeper:

3. **Read Matthew 5:9** again.
4. What is the difference between a peacekeeper and a peacemaker?
5. Give an example of someone who you would classify as a peacemaker. Why?
6. **Read Romans 14:19 and Romans 12:18** again. These verses use strong language when they say “make every effort” and “If it is possible”, what does that practically look like?

Looking Inward:

7. Is peacemaking one of your strengths? Why or why not?
8. Andy said there are 3 things peacemakers do:
 - a. Speak honestly and lovingly
 - b. Say sorry when they are wrong
 - c. Go to their offender
9. In which one do you need to grow the most?

Next Steps:

Andy gave us 4 things to consider when doing life with others:

1. Remember: This person is in process.
 2. Practice: God’s Presence.
 3. Ask Questions.
 4. Give God room to work.
10. How can this group pray for me to grow in this area of my life?