



The Greatest Sermon Ever Taught

Matthew 5:9

The War of Making Peace

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

Matthew 5:9 “God blesses those who work for peace, for they shall be called children of God.” NLT

1. Choosing to work for peace is what a Christ follower does. If I don't or am not willing to work for peace, it's questionable if I am a _____.
2. Understanding the inevitability of wars of all forms, we find Jesus challenging His followers to be His ambassadors of peace: _____.
3. There is a big difference between peacemaker and peacekeepers. A peacemaker _____ does whatever it takes to attempt reaching the goal of peace.
4. A peacemaker must _____ certain character qualities.

Question: Why don't people do that?

- a. A peacemaker must be willing to _____ and not glaze it over with pretty paint

Jeremiah 6:14 They offer superficial treatments for my peoples mortal wound. They give assurance of peace when all is war. NLT

- b. A peacemaker must be willing to risk _____ and _____.
- c. A peacemaker must be willing to be _____ to pursue what is right.

Romans 14:19 Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.

- d. A peacemaker must first _____ with the Prince of Peace.

5. The goal of my effort can never primarily be the outcome of my efforts, but rather the _____ of _____.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. NIV

6. The unnatural action of choosing to be a peacemaker is the outward _____ of my desire to live for Christ. This ministry demands involvement rather than isolation in our caves.
7. You reveal that you are a “son of God” when you attempt to make peace with the motive “Glory to God _____ of _____.”
8. My love and commitment to God should lead me to desire nothing but to be a son of God. To that end He has called me to risk being a _____.