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Peace and Forgiveness

Clay mentioned life is too short for us to have broken relationships. What are some things you thought were serious that you held unforgiveness over only to realize later, they weren't really that serious?

Bad blood is costly and complicated. How has bad blood between you and someone else affected your relationships in general? What has bad blood cost you?

The path to peace is paved with empathy, and forgiveness is the vehicle that gets us down that path. Are you willing to see things from someone else's perspective? How has empathy (or lack of) affected your ability to forgive? If empathy is the path, is apathy the potholes along the way?

Read Romans 12:18-21

Share about a time when you had peace ABOUT a relationship even when you didn't have peace IN the relationship.

Think of a time when you saw your enemy fall. Did it really make you feel better? Did it give you real peace?

Have you been guilty of making sure your enemies pay? How does that compare to a time when you let God take the lead?

Peace begins when our demand for payment ends. Jesus ended our eternal unforgiveness and allowed for everlasting peace, even when we didn't deserve it. How does remembering this make it easier to forgive someone, even when they don't deserve it?

Clay gave us a challenge to identify a person you need to forgive and start the process

1. Mark a date on the calendar
2. Forgive the debt
3. Take the first step

Remember, as Clay said: You do not find peace passively . Peace is only found when you actively pursue it .

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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