



KEEP TALKING

The weekend doesn't have to end. Keep Talking with this week's guide.

The Pattern | Responding with Grace

Pastor Carl

START TALKING - Find conversations starters for the group or with a friend.

We defined grace as unmerited, unearned favour. How would you describe grace and can you recall a time when it you received it?

KEEP READING - Read the Scripture and ask a question to get the group thinking.

Romans 12:9 - 13; Luke 6:27-28; Matthew 5:11-12 (NIV)

- Jesus and the Apostle Paul give us patterns to live by in Luke 6 and Romans 12. What stands out to you most from what you've read?
- In practice, for a follower of Jesus, what do you think this looks like in the reality of our relationships?

Pastor Carl talked about two sides of grace. We have God's Redemptive Grace and then Relational Grace. Both are unmerited, unearned favour but one is from God and the second is what we extend to others in our relationships.

- How do you understand God's Redemptive Grace? What does it mean to you?
- What does God's Redemptive Grace teach us about our relationships?
- When extended, what power does Relational Grace have in our relationships?

KEEP TALKING - Choose questions to create openness.

If we are to enjoy Healthy Relationships, we need to understand grace and its power. Firstly, have I received grace and secondly, how do I now extend it to others? Healthy Relationships matter and we have a pattern to follow but there are three things we must do to help us:

- Cultivate a Heart of Grace (Romans 12:14)
- Be Sensitive to Others (Romans 12:15)
- Break the Cycle of Evil (Romans 12:17)

KEEP MOVING/GOING -Commit to a step and live it out this week.

Grace is powerful and when grace is most apparent, the church (you) are most appealing. How can you grow and walk in grace this week? Is there a specific situation that needs grace to break the cycle? If so, what one thing can you do to help that?

KEEP PRAYING

- Share if there are any specific requests that need an act of grace on them or write them down in a journal. Take some time to pray for that particular situation and ask the Lord to give you wisdom to take the right step.