

“Getting Into It”

“ How to Engage in Redemptive Communication - Part 2 ”

1. Avoid Power Plays vv. 26-28

2. Don't Give Up vv. 29-34



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

Point #1

- Read John 9:26-28. How did the Pharisees try to resolve the issue by referring to Moses? How does Point #1 relate?
- Why is this a lazy approach to communication? Why will this always shut down redemptive communication?
- How do you see this happening today? Give an example. How does Point #1 challenge you? Be specific.

Point #2

- Read John 9:29-34. In what way did the conversation turn a corner and become a tit for tat argument?
- What was the result? In what way are Christians called to model a different resolve and step into Point #2?
- Why will this be countercultural today? How can you fall into a "give up" trap? How can you change?

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read John 9:26-28, Luke 7:33-35, Matthew 23:1-7

- Describe the tactics the Pharisees used to communicate to those they disagreed with. Be specific.
- In what way was this a lazy and immature approach to communicating? What does it prevent from happening?
- How has this happened to you? What did it feel like? What is God teaching you about your approach to conflict?

TUESDAY // Read John 9:26-28, Philippians 2:3-7, Colossians 3:12, James 4:6

- How did the Pharisees try to challenge and discount the blind man's testimony? (i.e., "disciples of Moses")
- Why will this approach always shut down redemptive communication? How should Christians be different?
- In what way does God get involved when Christians avoid the Pharisee trap? How does this encourage you?

WEDNESDAY // Read John 9:26-28, 1 John 4:18-19, Proverbs 15:1-2, 29:22

- How did the Pharisees try to instill fear in the blind man and his family? How did it impact communication?
- Given that Christians are called to love others, how should you be different than the Pharisee approach? Be specific.
- How do you see the Pharisee approach taking place today? Give an example. How can you avoid this trap?

THURSDAY // Read John 9:29-34, Romans 12:18-21

- How did the Pharisees try to discount and make the blind man look stupid? How did the blind man respond?
- Explain why this conversation turned a corner and became a tit for tat battle. How can this be avoided?
- What does this teach you about today's approach to disagreement and communication? Be specific.

FRIDAY // Read John 9:29-34, Ephesians 4:1-3, Hebrews 12:14

- How did the conversation ultimately resolve between the blind man and the Pharisees? Why?
- What does this highlight about motives and approach? Why should Christians be different?
- How can you fall into the "give up" trap? Give an example. What step can you take today to grow in this area?

SATURDAY // Read John 9:29-34, 1 Timothy 3:2-3, 7, Jude 17-23

- What is implied by today's reading when it comes to Christians who are always getting into arguments?
- In what way should church leadership be modeling redemptive communication? Why?
- How can your communication impact your ability to share Jesus with others? Pray about this issue.

MEDITATION VERSE: *I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love...*
Ephesians 4:1-2