

## Written Off?

“ How to Engage in Redemptive Communication - Part 3 ”

1. Keep Focused On Jesus w. 35-38

2. Remember It Won't Always Work Out w. 39-41



# 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/](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/) or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

### Point #1

- a) Read John 9:34-38. Explain how the blind man might have felt after being shut down by the Pharisees.
- b) In what way did a focus on Jesus change how he felt? Why is this important to understand? How does Point #1 relate?
- c) How do you typically respond when someone shuts you down? How can Point #1 help? What would this look like?

### Point #2

- a) Read John 9:39-41. In what way did Jesus spiritually compare the blind man to the Pharisees?
- b) What was the outcome of the conversation? How does this relate to Point #2? Why is this important to recognize?
- c) How comfortable are you with disagreements that don't have closure? How can you stay engaged? Be specific.

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## 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](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons).

### **MONDAY // Read John 9:34-38, 2 Corinthians 10:5**

- In what way did the Pharisees mistreat the blind man who had been healed? Why?
- How might you have felt if you were the blind man in this conversation? What changed his focus?
- What does this highlight about Jesus and redemptive conversations? How does this help you today?

### **TUESDAY // Read John 9:34-38, Galatians 5:16-24**

- Explain how the fruit of the flesh and fruit of the spirit can relate to the topic of redemptive communication.
- In what way do you typically respond to a disagreement when someone has shut down communication?
- How will staying focused on Jesus help you display the fruit of the Spirit? How is this practically accomplished?

### **WEDNESDAY // Read John 9:34-38, Luke 23:32-43**

- In what way did Jesus experience being written off by local leaders and the general public? What was His response?
- What does this teach about staying engaged even when all redemptive communication has shut down?
- How can this same response apply in a difficult relationship you are currently facing? Be specific.

### **THURSDAY // Read John 9:39-41, Romans 12:18-19**

- Explain how Jesus spiritually compared the blind man to the Pharisees. In what way were the Pharisees "guilty"?
- What had happened to the opportunity for redemptive communication to take place? Why?
- What does this highlight about thinking conversations can "always work out"? How does this encourage you?

### **FRIDAY // Read John 9:39-41, Titus 3:9-11, Matthew 5:44**

- In what way did the Pharisees write off the blind man? In what way did Jesus write off the Pharisees?
- What does this highlight about conversations always being successful? What can happen if this isn't understood?
- How comfortable are you with disagreements that aren't resolved? Why? How does today's devotion adjust you?

### **SATURDAY // Read John 9:39-41, Matthew 26:57-67, 27:12, Luke 23:9**

- How did Jesus respond when He knew the conversations weren't going to be productive? Why?
- What does this highlight about how un-redemptive communication can cause even more damage?
- In what way can silence actually allow God to work? Be specific. How is God prompting you to be quieter?

**MEDITATION VERSE:** *The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouth of the fool gushes folly.*

Proverbs 15:2