



Order of Worship June 9, 2024 Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song

We Listen to the Word

Prayer Sermon Series: Conflicted Sermon: "Check the Reality"

We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration The Lord's Prayer We Eat and Drink Together We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song Prayer

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life/Gossiping the Good Stuff Doxology Blessing and Sending

> *Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen*



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Doggy Bag-

Some questions to chew on:



- What stood out to you the most from this message? What have you heard before? What was new or different?
- 2. Why is it important to check your reality before you have a conversation with someone about an issue?
- 3. When was a time that God used others to provide critical knowledge or perspective that helped you have a fuller understanding of a person or situation?
- 4. Do you have people in your life who would be classified as wise counsel and will be honest with you when you are wrong?
- 5. In a current problem, what story are you assuming or telling yourself that may not actually be true? Have you owned your part in the problem too?
- 6. From Part 1, what is one conversation you've been avoiding? This week, seek out the perspective of 1-3 people outside the situation who will be honest with you, stop ruminating on a story of "why," and own your part of what you should have done differently.



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Conflicted "Part 1: Check the Reality" Pastor Kris Beckert

I. Jesus' instructions on how to handle conflict:

Matthew 18:15-18 If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. ¹⁶ But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' ¹⁷ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

Part I. Have a conversation

Part II. Check _____

Part III. Know Your Outcome

II. The Importance of _____

• In v.16, Jesus quotes an Old Testament passage:

Deuteronomy 19:15 One witness is not enough to convict anyone accused of any crime or offense they may have committed. A matter must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.

- Witnesses help provide ______
- Our point of view may not be completely right, but also not completely _____
- Others' perspectives may help define the reality before we talk to the person

III. Checking the reality means:

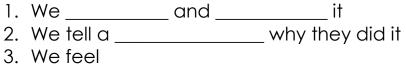
1. Seeking _____

Proverbs 19:20 Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise.

- This is not complaining or ______
- This is someone ______ the situation that will give an honest perspective

2. Telling ______

 Four stages when something makes us mad/ upset:



- 4. We act
- How we feel & respond is usually based on stage 2
- Before jumping to conclusions, step back
- Ask "why would a decent and rational person do something like this?"
- 3. Owning _____
- Assume you played a part in the problem
- What should you have done differently?

Big Idea: _____