



Discussion Questions

Matthew 18:15-20 *Reproving Another Who Sins*

Pastor Marvin begins his sermon by paraphrasing Matthew 15:20, saying “whenever two or three are gathered, there is going to be a difference of opinion.” How did you react when you heard this? What does it mean to you?

Think of a time when you worked to regain or restore a relationship. Pastor Marvin says, “relationship work is exhausting.” Would you agree?

In Matthew 18:15-17, Jesus gives instructions for resolving conflict and reconciling a relationship. One of his last instructions, after you’ve tried everything else, is to let that person “be to you as a gentile and a tax collector.” How did the society treat these outsiders? How did Jesus treat them? Why do you think Jesus ends his instructions this way?

We mark the 50/40/10 anniversaries because the church listened to those who had been hurting. Who do you know who is a minister today because they are no longer excluded? What gifts do they have, or what about their ministry do you celebrate?

