

## WHERE THERE IS HOPE...

...there is Forgiveness

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Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth *peace to those* on whom his favor rests." When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."

Luke 2:13-15

3 LIFE CHANGING TRUTHS THAT CAN BRING HEALING IN  
BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS...

### #1. WE'RE GOING TO \_\_\_\_\_

"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift. " Matthew 5:23

We judge other people by their actions, by what they do or don't do or by what they say. But when it comes to ourselves, we typically will judge ourselves not by our actions but instead by our intentions.

- **WHO DO YOU NEED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE HURT?**

### #2. WE'RE GOING TO \_\_\_\_\_

"Leave your gift there in front of the altar. First, go and be reconciled to your brother then come offer your gift. Matthew 5:24

"In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. Ephesians 4:26

- **KEEP SHORT ACCOUNTS**

### **#3. WE'RE GOING TO \_\_\_\_\_.**

First, go and be reconciled to your brother **then come offer your gift.**  
Matthew 5: 24

**Jesus is saying, “You have one thing that matters, your relationship with God and your relationship with people. Life is all about relationships. Nothing else lasts. So stay current in your relationships.”**

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, “Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?” Jesus answered, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. Matthew 18:21,22

“ In anger, his master turned him over to the jailers until he could pay back all he owed. And then Jesus said, “This is how my heavenly father will treat each of you unless you forgive each other from the heart.” Matthew 18:34,35

<sup>14</sup> For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins. Matthew 6:14,15

- **WHO DO YOU NEED TO FORGIVE THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON?**