

## Gospel Shaped Mercy

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### Session 6: Reconciliation – Relationships Healed

#### Warm-Up:

1. How would you define reconciliation using a maximum of 6 words?
2. Share a story in your own life where you have seen broken relationships healed.

#### Workout:

##### Watch DVD 6.1

The Sermon on the Mount concludes with these thoughts:

##### Matthew 7:24-27

<sup>24</sup>“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup>And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. <sup>26</sup>And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. <sup>27</sup>And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”<sup>1</sup>

1. Re-Read Matthew 5:21-26. Share with your group what stands out to you about relationships.
2. In light of building our house on the rock, how would God instruct us to respond when anger is in our heart toward our brother or sister?

##### Watch DVD 6.2

#### Broken Relationships usually go down in one of two ways:

- Cycle of Blame. – Goal: Who is worse
- Taking Personal Responsibility – Goal: Unity in Purpose

1. Describe how conversation has been received in each of the scenarios above.
2. What is the greater issue of the heart that Jesus is shedding light on in regards to murder?

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<sup>1</sup> [\*The Holy Bible: English Standard Version\*](#). (2016). (Mt 7:24–27). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

3. With reconciliation being at the heart of Christianity, why should we be so urgent to be reconciled with our brothers and sisters in Christ?

**Watch DVD 6.3**

1. Why is it so difficult to own our part of the mess?
2. How does the Gospel free us to own our part of the mess and live in peace with God and people?

Pray Individually:

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