



Stronger Together 1/19/2025 | When Things Go Wrong

Reflect + Discuss

- Do you enjoy reading books or watching movies which feature conflict and drama? Why or why not?
- Read Matthew 5:23-24. Why do you think it's so important to Jesus that we be reconciled to one another before coming to offer our gift? Why does he care so deeply about how we respond to each other when things go wrong? How does this compare with the way the world responds to conflict (ghosting, fighting back, etc.)?
- Read Romans 12:18. What is the significance of the phrase, "as far as it depends on you"? How can moving toward conflict in a healthy way be an opportunity for transformation? Can you think of a time where you've experienced this in a relationship?
- Michelle shared about how we can determine the positive or negative outcome of a conversation based on the first three minutes.
 - How have you experienced this in your own relationships?
 - How can using a "soft start up" or choosing to take a break when things are getting heated help us to reflect God's love to others during moments of conflict?
 - What are other key takeaways you learned from Michelle?
- Is there a relationship that God might be nudging you to move toward? What would it look like for you to move toward this person today or this week? Are there ways we can support one another in group as we take these next steps?
- Need some questions to get you started? Check out our [Preparing for Hard Conversations Guide](#).

Pray

Pray for God to help us recognize his nudge when he wants us to move toward someone. Pray that we would be in tune with his Spirit, that we would exude his love and gentleness, and that we would reflect his character even when things go wrong in relationships. Pray that we may experience transformation as we seek peace with those around us and that we would become people who embody his loving characteristics.

Next Steps

Check out the [resources page](#) for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out [courses](#).