

Worksheet for the video on Mt. 18, 'Where two or three are gathered'

Hello, and welcome to the worksheet for this video!

Below, please find a number of questions. There are no 'right' answers, there are no 'wrong' answers. Rather, these questions are designed to help you experience the video a little more deeply and, thereby, perhaps to enable you to consider more deeply, and come to know yourself, and your place in the world, a little more helpfully!

Here's the biblical text at the heart of this meditation: Jesus once said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 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. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

- Have you ever had an experience like the one that I refer to in this video? When we have those 'epiphany moments,' how do you like to use them?
- Have you ever prayed for a certain outcome and yet felt that your prayer wasn't answered? Why do you feel that would be?
- How do you feel about Bible scholars doing work such as The Jesus Seminar has done?
- Thinking of the Tony Campollo book to which I refer ('Following Jesus Without Embarrassing God'), how did you feel about the title?
- Have you ever had an experience of someone's death that was similar to the one about which I speak? How do you understand that business of accepting death – what does it mean; what does it entail; how do you 'unblock' feelings?
- Have you ever experienced strength in weakness? How about weakness in strength?
- How does that kind of 'weakness/strength' build community?