

## **How to Maintain Redemptive Relationships**

Matthew 7:1-5; 5:23-24; 18:15

Big Idea: Jesus has provided ways that we can maintain redemptive relationships by His power is at work within us.

- I. Take out the old-growth timber. -Matthew 7:1-5
  
- II. Meet in the middle. -Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15
  - A. What to do if we know we've hurt someone. -Matthew 5:23-24
  
  - B. What to do if someone has hurt us. -Matthew 18:15
  
- III. Questions:
  - A. If love covers a multitude of sins, why should you go to others?
  
  - B. How should we go to others?
  
  - C. Does confession mean automatic restoration?
  
  - D. What impact does the gospel have on our attitude in reconciliation?