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| **SERIES** | LET’S TALK ABOUT… |
| **BIBLE** | Matthew 18:15-35 |
| **TITLE/TOPIC** | CONFLICT - |
| **OVERVIEW** |  |
| **SCRIPTURE BREAKDOWN** | **WEEK SIX: Let’s Talk About Conflict - Chad**   * **BIG IDEA:** Some of us think that the absence of conflict points to a God-honoring relationship, when the truth couldn’t be further. To make peace Jesus didn’t keep the peace. We fool ourselves when we run from conflict. Rather, there are godly skills for conflict resolution outlined in the Jesus story. * **SCRIPTURE: Matthew 18:15-35 (Support: Matthew 5:23-24) - Jesus why conflict resolution is so important and teaches us how to do so. His movement is marked by forgiveness: “as God forgave you in Christ Jesus.”** * **SUPPORT:** Chapter seven of Pete Scazzero’s *Emotionally Healthy Spirituality* for helpful, Biblical skills put in practice. * Crucial Conversations   IMAGE TO USE IS BOXING GLOVES  **INTRO:**  ILL – Story about avoiding having the conflict conversation with someone.  The problem didn’t go away.  **1. Have the Conversation – V.15**  “Go and tell him his fault…”  Gen. 13 – Abram and Lot  ILL – When the conversation goes wrong.  **2. Bring it to Community – VV.16-18**  Don’t hide it – expose it to others.  A refusal to listen is followed by a pursuit.  **3. Seek Restoration – VV.19-20**  The goal of having the hard conversation is to seek restoration. |
| **GOSPEL** | How does this sermon bring people to the Gospel? |
| **NEXT**STEPS | Begin | Connect | Engage | Grow | Disciple  Begin –  Connect –  Grow –  Disciple – |