Blessed are the Peacemakers
Matthew 5:9

I. Relevance of peace today.
   a. There is a need for peace ___________ and internationally. (I Timothy 2:1-2)
   b. We need peace in our ___________. (James 3:16)
   c. We need peace in our ______.__. (Philippians 4:6-7; Romans 15:33; Ephesians 2:13-14)

II. Who is a peacemaker? What is peace?
   a. Absence of ___________. (John 16:33)
   b. That doesn’t mean “peace at any price.” (James 3:16-17)
   c. Actively involved in promoting Jesus.

III. How is peace attained?
   a. Through the right relationship with the “______ of ______.” (Isaiah 9:6)
   b. Those who are justified by the blood of Christ have peace with God. (Romans 5:1-9)

IV. How can peace be maintained?
   a. By practicing the beatitudes. (Matthew 5:3-12)
   b. We can make peace in our congregations. (Ephesians 4:1-3)
   c. We can make peace in our ________ and work settings. (Romans 12:18)