



SPX Small Groups

Life is Better Together

Do It Anyway - Week 1

September 10th– 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



1. Share a highlight from your summer or something you are excited about doing this fall.
2. Read the Gospel ([Mt 18:15-20](#)) where Jesus outlines a process for resolving disputes when someone sins against you.
 - a. What is your gut response when someone hurts or maligns you? Do you try to (a) address the issue, or (b) stew about it, or (c) complain about them, or (d) just ignore it and move on?
 - b. Why is establishing the facts helpful in these conversations? What happens if the other person disagrees about the facts?
 - c. What does Jesus mean when he says to treat the offender like a gentile or tax collector? What would that look like today?
3. When is “just venting” helpful? When is it destructive?
4. If you frequently find yourself “just venting,” how can you break that habit?
5. When are you most open to correction (taking ownership for sins/mistakes and changing your practices)? What do you need to hear or experience to change your ways?
6. Describe a time when you’ve tried to use the method Jesus laid out to resolve a conflict. Were you successful?
7. How can prayer and the support of a church community help in resolving these sorts of disputes?
8. Who do you need to have a difficult conversation with? Will you?