



Sunday, Jul 21st, 2024

Worship Music:

p.15 Praise Him

p.9 Great Are you Lord

p.16 Rescue

p.1 All Creatures of Our God

p.2 All the People said Amen

The Friendly Forest – Facilitators

Do you identify with any of the characters in the story?

Who or what are the tigers in our lives that we give too much power to, and which pulls us off track?

Are we a tiger in someone else's life?

Reflect on the following scriptures:

Matthew 5:48 - *Be perfect therefore, even as your heavenly father is perfect.*

Colossians 3:12-14 - *Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.*

1 Corinthians 13:4-6 - *Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.*

How does God ask us to treat the tigers?

How could this fable be seen as God's challenge to us?

Reflect on another couple scriptures:

Philippians 2:4 - *Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.*

Romans 15:1-2 - *We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.*

Why do the animals seem to excuse the tiger's behavior and try to make the lamb adapt?

Are there "tigers" in your life that you are avoiding dealing with, and that are negatively impacting your life and your relationship with Jesus?