



WARRIOR [PG-13]

TOPIC: Reconciliation

SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 5:11-19

CLIP LOCATION: 00:00:38 through 00:06:25 (DVD Chapter: 1)

SYNOPSIS: A son comes home to the father he hasn't seen in years. The father won't join him for a drink, because he now goes to church and has "found God." But the son can't forgive his father for his past treatment of the family—when he was a drunk—and the son mocks his father's newfound faith.

GOSPEL FILTER: When someone commits his or her life to God, it can be hard for people to believe they're a changed person. Sometimes the past hurts are too much to forget. Thankfully, God forgives, even when humans can't.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS: *Why would the son mock his father for finding faith? Tell about a time someone mocked you for your faith, or for attending church. How did that affect your resolve? What's the hardest part about forgiving others' past mistakes? If the person who hurt us commits their life to God, does it make it easier to forgive? Why or why not? Read aloud 2 Corinthians 5:11-19. Why is it often hard for people to believe that a Christian is "a new creation" and that "the old has gone"? How are we different when we've given our lives to Christ? What obligation, if any, do we have to make things right with those we've wronged?*