

**The Moon vs. The Porch Light**  
**Gathering Group Discussion Questions:**

**Ice Breaker:** If you had an afternoon to do whatever you wanted, what would that be?

**Question #1:** *The opening question seeks to introduce the primary point of the sermon.*

- Summarize the point of the sermon in two sentences.
- Take turns doing this because each of you will highlight different things.

**Question #2:** *Read Matthew 5:9 aloud.*

- What does it mean to you to be a peacemaker?
- Name someone in your life who is or has been a peacemaker. What characterizes their life?

**Question #3:**

- What are some examples of how violence is viewed as the answer to conflict?
- How has this pattern of violence crept into your way of thinking and acting?

**Question #4:** *Let's talk about how we make other people the enemy.*

- Why is it so common for us to make others the enemy? How does this hinder peace?
- Who is someone you can pray for to break this pattern?

**Question #5:** *Sandra introduced a few practices that can foster peace in our lives. Read them aloud from the sermon summary.*

- What is your immediate reaction to these options?
- What is one practice that you can do this week that can foster a movement toward peace?