

More than just words

Language #1 - Expressing Regret. I'm _____.

Language #2 - Accepting Responsibility. I was _____.

Language #3: Attempting _____ - "What can I _____?"

Luke 19:1-10 *Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. 2 There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. 3 He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. 5 When Jesus came by, he looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name. "Zacchaeus!" he said. "Quick, come down! I must be a guest in your home today." 6 Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. 7 But the people were displeased. "He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner," they grumbled. 8 Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" 9 Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man[a] came to seek and save those who are lost."*

What is restitution?

**RESTITUTION IS THE _____, _____, _____
ATTEMPT TO RESTORE THE RELATIONSHIP.**

Our _____ to offering restitution

- It's _____ because it acknowledges _____
- If I try to pay back _____, I'll be expected to pay back _____

Three Requirements of Restitution

1. To be made _____

2. _____ of spirit

Matthew 5:25-26 (KJV) *Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.*

3. Commitment to the _____

4. Spoken in my primary _____ language

Statements of Attempting Restitution:

- ♥ Is there anything I can do to make up for what I have done?
- ♥ I know I have hurt you deeply and I feel like I should do something to repay you for the hurt I've caused. Can you give me a suggestion?
- ♥ I don't feel right just saying "I'm sorry." I want to make up for what I've done. What would you consider appropriate?
- ♥ I know that I've inconvenienced you. May I give you some of my time to balance things out?
- ♥ I regret that I've damaged your honor. May I make a public correction?
- ♥ I've broken this promise a million times. Would you like for me to put my commitment in writing this time?