

## **Subject: Sermon Ideas – Sand & Stone**

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A story tells that two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one in the face. The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand:

"Today My Best Friend Slapped Me in the Face."

They kept on walking until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mire and started to drown, but was saved by his friend. After recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone:

"Today My Best Friend Saved My Life."

The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone, why?"

The other replied: "When someone hurts us we should write it down in sand where the winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase it.

It would do us all well to learn to write our hurts in sand and carve our blessings in stone.

It takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them, a day to love them, but then an entire lifetime to forget them.