

Text: Colossians 1:20-23; 2 Corinthians 5:18-20
Topics: The Cross, The Fall, The Reconciliation
Series: The Cross & the Tomb...

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Reconciliation, an Easter Message

I. Understanding Reconciliation (Col. 1:20-23)

Know the message of God's reconciliation, as one who has _____, and who _____, it.

Application:

II. Applying Reconciliation (2 Cor. 5:18-20)

Know the message of God's reconciliation, as one who has received, and who shares, it.

Application:

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.*

1. Are you, or have you been, in a relationship in need of reconciliation? What happened to facilitate or to prevent reconciliation?

2. Read Colossians 1:19-20. What is the reconciliation in verse 20 between? What was established in this reconciliation and how?

3. Read Colossians 1:21-23. Use your own words to describe:
the state of one not yet fully reconciled to God (see also Romans 5:10-11)

the state of one who has been reconciled to God

the evidence that reconciliation between God and a person has happened.

What was the Lord's part, and what was your part in your reconciliation to God? What value is there to you in knowing about this reconciliation?

4. Read 2 Cor. 5:18-19. What are the "things" of verse 18? (NIV "all this")

What or who did God reconcile to Himself, and how?

What does it mean to be given the ministry, or the word, of reconciliation?

5. Read 2 Corinthians 5:20-21. What does it mean for Christ to be "made sin" and us to become "the righteousness of God"?

How is verse 21 related to verse 20?

What does "an ambassador for Christ" do? Are you one?

6. Do you understand the message of reconciliation well enough to explain it to someone? How would you explain to someone?