



MAY 2, 2021 / THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION / 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-21
WE HAVE EACH BEEN CALLED TO REPRESENT THE GOSPEL TO THE LOST PEOPLE OF THE WORLD

The Bible as a whole is about the mission of God. The accomplishing of this mission is the very purpose of the church. God is reconciling the world to himself through people like us.

READ 2 Corinthians 5:17-21.

1. What is the new creation that is being talked about here (2 Corinthians 5:17)? (see Isaiah 65:17; Revelation 21:1; 2 Corinthians 4:6)
2. In what sense has the old gone and the new come into your life since you became a Christian (2 Corinthians 5:17)? (see Ephesians 4:22-32)
3. Is God's work of reconciliation dependent on our belief or any action on our part (2 Corinthians 5:18)? (see Romans 5:10)
4. What is our part in allowing God to make his appeal through us (2 Corinthians 5:20)? (see 1 Corinthians 9:19-23)
5. Describe a time recently when you felt used by God to help someone encounter the message of the gospel.
6. What steps can you take to prepare yourself better to share the message of reconciliation with others? (see Colossians 4:2-6; 1 Peter 3:15)

God and Father, help me to be active in sharing the message of the gospel with others around me.