

BIG WORDS IN THE BIBLE

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#9 = RECONCILIATION

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE RECONCILED?

- *Reconcile* = "To _____ someone to favorable or friendly relations with another after a presumed wrong; to make things right with another"
- Reconciliation is about _____.
- The underlying idea behind reconciliation is _____.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT?

1. God wants _____ to be reconciled to Him.

- a. 1 Timothy 2:3-4, "For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth."
- b. _____ is always the reason there is a need for reconciliation.
- c. V. 18 = God reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ
- d. V. 19 = Through Christ, God reconciled the world to Himself
- e. Romans 5:1, 8-10 = Once we are saved, there is _____.

2. God wants _____ reconciled with each other.

- a. Matthew 5:23-24 = God does not want you at odds with a brother or sister in Christ.
- b. Ephesians 4:31-32, "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."
- c. _____, so that you can be forgiven.
- d. You cannot say you are _____ with God if you are _____ with everyone else.

3. God wants _____ to take up the ministry of reconciliation. (2 Cor. 5:18)

- a. V. 18 = He is giving us a _____ and a ministry.
- b. V. 19 = *...hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.* = God has given us the privilege of preaching the message of reconciliation.
- c. V. 20 = *...ambassadors for Christ...* = "To act as an authorized representative of a ruling authority"
- d. What does an ambassador do? They represent the _____ and present His wishes to others.
- e. We are to be representatives of Christ with our _____ and with our _____.
- f. V. 20 = *...as though God did beseech you by us...* = The gospel message is God entreating men to be saved through us.
- g. As a Christian, you can be saved, sanctified, and satisfied, but you cannot be _____.
- h. You have been given a responsibility – a ministry.
- i. We are not _____ for Christ; we are ambassadors for Christ.

Is there someone you need to be reconciled with?

Are you involved in the ministry of reconciliation or have you been _____?