

2 Corinthians 5:17-20

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Reconciled

Through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God has saved us, made us alive, freed us from condemnation and adopted us as sons and daughters. What more could the Lord graciously provide us in His Son? Let's take a look at a few verses in 2 Corinthians 5 to see what else God has done for the believer.

1. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-20 and circle every reference to **CHRIST**.

Reflect: What do you learn from marking Christ?

2. Read the passage again and underline any reference to **reconciled**.

Reflect: Who has been reconciled and to whom?

Reflect: What is the result of reconciliation to God?

How humbling is it to know that God chose to reconcile us through His Son? In Christ, we are new creations, have been given the ministry of reconciliation and are now His ambassadors entrusted with a message! May we take time to reflect on this truth and give thanks to God for this incomprehensible gift.