

WHO NEEDS TO BE RECONCILED TO GOD? - 2C5:20

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INTRODUCTION

1. 2C5 we are to explain Jesus' death & res to others. v13-15;18-19; v21 - v20

i. Appear "crazy" - v13 *beside ourselves*

ii. Passionate zeal as ambassadors - v20 & 6:1 - *appeal, beg, urge.*

2. We beg men as tho *God were making an appeal thru us.* We represent Christ & humanize the gospel - the media by which gospel is communicated.

i. Exo 34:6-7. Definition of *Lord.* Revealing His forgiveness to men.

ii. We proclaim forgiveness in Christ Jesus: *be reconciled to God!*

1st: Some People in the Church Need to be Reconciled to God

1. 2Cor - church infected w/ false apostles - 2C 11:2-5

2. Some in church are yet to be reconciled to God - 1Pt 4:17-18.

3. We do not judge Word of God - we are judged by the Word - 2C12:19-13:6

2nd: All People Outside the Church Need to be Reconciled to God

1. *Be reconciled to God* is our message to those outside Christ. Those inside the church are *sanctified in Christ; saints* [1C1:2; 2C1:1].

2. v21 - the church: *our behalf, we might become* & v20 - summon unsaved

3. The message of reconciliation goes to the *the world* [v19]. We explain God's justifying grace in Christ & summon sinners to repent & trust in Christ.

Applic #1: Am I Reconciled to God in Christ?

Applic #2: Is "Be reconciled to God" the Message we are Giving to the World?