

Sermon: Be Ye Reconciled to God (2Cor. 5.20-21)

§1. Introduction

1. Theme: Reconciliation to God through the substitutionary atonement of Christ.
2. Doctrine: That God, by the mouth of his ministers beseeches us to be reconciled to him through the substitutionary atonement of Christ; wherein our sin is imputed to Christ, and his righteousness imputed to us.
3. Application: From this Doctrine we will see how we must hear the Word of God preached as the Voice of our Beloved calling us to reconciliation with God, we must trust in the work of Christ which reconciles us to God, and we must enjoy the fellowship of reconciliation, of which the Lord's Supper is a sign and a seal.

§2. Exposition

1. Summary of Context:
2. Verse-by-verse exposition:

20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God:

21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him:

§3. Uses

1. Hear the Word preached as the Voice of our Beloved calling us to reconciliation.
2. Trust the work of Christ that reconciles us to God.
3. Enjoy the fellowship of reconciliation, particularly in the Lord's Supper.