

THE UNFAIR TRADE

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

RECONCILED

Sin leads to alienation from God, but through Christ we can be forgiven and reconciled to God. “Be reconciled to God” is a wonderful invitation to the gospel.

Romans 5.10 // Colossians 1.19-22

THE GREAT EXCHANGE

“For our sake he (God) made him (Jesus) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” – 2 Corinthians 5:21

Isaiah 53.3-9 // 1 Peter 2.24

You contribute nothing to your salvation
except the sin that made it necessary.

– Jonathan Edwards

AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST

Because of the Great Exchange we have been reconciled to God, the old has passed away the new has come.

- But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. (Ephesians 2.13)
- Chosen by God (Ephesians 1.4)
- Justified, made righteous before God. (Romans 3.24)
- Dead to Sin, Free from Sin! Alive to Christ (Romans 6.11, 8.2)
- Loved by God with an inseparable love. Height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8.38-39)
- Adopted as sons and daughters by God!
- Redeemed and Forgiven (Ephesians 1.7)
- Sanctified (1 Corinthians 1.30, Ephesians 4.32)
- We are given every spiritual blessing, raised up and seated with Christ in the heavenly places! (Ephesians 1.3, 20)
- No condemnation for those IN CHRIST. (Romans 8.1)
- We are his workmanship. (Ephesians 2.10)
- Eternal Life and Purpose (Romans 6.23, Ephesians 3.11)

And now, we have been given the privilege to be called Ambassadors for Christ, Ministers of Reconciliation are now entrusted with message of reconciliation!



NOTES:

Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the PrayerMate App, available on both iOS and Android phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our 2 Year Bible Reading Plan.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green Connection Card on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a Green Shirt at the Connection Booth outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information.

Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our Kids on Mission classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. By giving your time and talent on Sundays, you're an essential part of helping others meet Jesus, and serving is one of the most fun & rewarding ways we experience community with our church family! Fill out a connection card or visit the Connection Booth to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to get connected in the church is by joining one of our Community Groups! You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. Sign up for a Group on a Connection Card or visit the Connection Booth. You won't regret it!

GIVING

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call Life Mission your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our Kids on Mission ministry has classes for newborns - 6th grade. Please visit lifemissionchurch.com/blog/kids to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum.

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our 7th & 8th graders worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and class for the rest of service.

Our High School students stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. For questions on our student ministries, contact Casey Barnes at hbarnes5@yahoo.com.

SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to be sent. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From schools and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read **2 Corinthians 5.17-21**. What stuck out to you the most in these verses or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday? _____

Romans 5.10-11. What does it mean to be "reconciled"? And who is being reconciled? Who is doing the reconciling? _____

Re-read **2 Corinthians 5.21**. Who made who to "be sin" and why? _____

Read **Ephesians 1.3-7, 20, 2.10, 13, 3.11, 4.32 Romans 3.24, 6.11, 23, 8.1-2, 38-39**. Grab a blank piece of paper and draw two wrapped presents at the top of the page. First label one of the gifts "To Jesus, from _____." Then label the other gift "To _____, from Jesus." List your sin that you gave to Jesus under the gift labeled "To Jesus from _____." And lastly, list what He gave you "In Christ" through the Great Exchange, the unfair trade. Share it with your group.

Re-read **2 Corinthians 5.17**. What does it mean that a Christian is a "new creation?" _____

Why do you come to church? Why are you in a Community Group? What's the main point of all of it? What are you aiming to do through it? _____

Because of the Great Exchange we have been reconciled to God, the old has passed away the new has come. And now "In Christ" we have been given the privilege to be called Ambassadors for Christ, Ministers of Reconciliation, and are now entrusted with the message of reconciliation! How does this truth from this week's verses help you see what the main point of all this is? _____

Pray using the **P.R.A.Y.** model. First Preach (**2 Corinthians 5.21**) into your heart and mind. Spend time before the Lord confessing any sin, then Repent of any sin. Maybe you have been struggling with fear, worry or apathy. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you remember these great Gospel truths throughout your week. Then give Thanks to Him for the Great Exchange, the beautiful unfairness that he has shown you.



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Equipping a Gospel-Centered Community in the Word of God,
To Live Out a Gospel-Centered Life Mission to the Glory of God.



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