#### **Peace Proclaimed**

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# Big Idea: We are ambassadors for Christ.

### I. Fear God (11-12)

1. Remember the coming judgment (2 Cor. 5:10)

**Romans 4:5-7** | 5 And to the one who does not work but <u>believes</u> in him who justifies the ungodly, his <u>faith</u> is counted as righteousness, 6 just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: 7 "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; 8 blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

- a. Will we be found faithful?
- b. All will be judged
- 2. Be free from the fear of man
  - a. There is no need to commend ourselves
  - b. There is great need for hearts to be transformed

### **II. Love Others (13-17)**

- 1. Remember the love of Christ
  - a. Christ died for all
  - b. Christ transforms the vilest of hearts
- 2. Be controlled by the love of Christ
  - a. We are no longer slaves to sin
  - b. We are free to live for Christ

# III. Proclaim Peace (18-21)

- 1. Remember who we are
  - a. We are ambassadors for Christ
  - b. God is the one who saves
- 2. Be faithful to share the gospel
  - a. We must not compromise
  - b. We must call people to be reconciled to God