

The Love of Christ

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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2

1. When talking about the love of Christ why does Paul point to the death of Christ? What is the connection between the two? Why is this important?
2. What changes do you think have occurred between Saul's view of Christ and Paul's view of Christ? Why?
3. Why is the death of Christ so central? Why is it foundational for our identity, individually and collectively?
4. What is the condition needed for new creation to come in our lives?
5. What does it mean to be 'in Christ'? How does this happen? What does this look like day to day for you?
6. What did the death of Christ do for our four key relationships? How are they transformed and renewed?
7. How have you experienced renewal in our four key relationships in your life?
8. What does being reconciled to God require of us?
9. What are we God's co-workers in? How are we his ambassadors?
10. How are others experiencing the love of Christ through you?
11. How are new creation and reconciliation showing themselves in your life?
12. What is Christ compelling you to do/move towards? What is the new step in for you in experiencing Christ's love, sharing Christ's love, and bringing reconciliation?

Prayer points:

- Pray for all the people in the North Island affected by Cyclone Gabrielle.
- Pray for the people of Turkey and Syria in the aftermath of the earthquake.
- Pray for the ill and vulnerable in our communities.
- Pray for those affected by violence and conflict around the globe.