

**Gospel Partnership**  
**Ambassadors of Reconciliation**  
**2 Corinthians 5:14-21**

**TALK IT OVER**

**Parallel Scripture**

<sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit, there is no deceit.

*Psalms 32:2 ESV*

<sup>8</sup> but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. <sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup> More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

*Romans 5:8-11 ESV*

**Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)**

- Have you ever gotten a fresh start? What was that like?
- Have you ever reconciled with someone? What happened and how did you come back together?

**Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)**

- As you reflect on last weekend's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?
- Read 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5:14-21. What has been made new?
- What did Christ do to bring us back to himself? Did we have to do anything?
- Since we were reconciled back to Christ, what are we called to do and why?

**Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)**

- When have you found it difficult to ask for forgiveness? When have you found it difficult to forgive? What did you do in these situations?
- Why do you think it's important to model forgiveness?
- How do we help others to become reconciled to God?

**Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)**

- How will you be an ambassador of reconciliation knowing what you know about how Jesus reconciled you to God?
- Call someone up that you haven't seen in a while, catch up and reconnect.

**Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)**

- For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

**Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)**

1. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
3. How's your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (*3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection*)
4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
6. Pray for one another.