

Compelled by Love Discussion Questions

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

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1. What one thing are you asking God to help you live out as a result of what you're learning through this sermon series?
2. What does it mean in verse 14 that "the love of Christ controls (or compels) us?" Can you honestly say that the love of Christ controls you? Why is this a powerful motivation for missions?
3. Paul says we no longer live for ourselves (v. 15). How does that shift our priorities in life and mission? Why is surrendering to Christ so important to accomplishing our missions mandate?
4. What does it mean to view others "not according to the flesh" (v. 16)? How might that affect the way we see people we're trying to reach?
5. Verse 17 says we are new creations. How is this foundational to the message we share with others?
6. What does Paul mean by the "ministry of reconciliation" in verses 18-19? How is this central to missions?
7. Do you see yourself as an "ambassador for Christ" (v. 20)? What are some things you can do to reinforce this identity and calling?
8. Why is reconciliation with God necessary? How can you clearly explain that to someone who is far from Christ?
9. Verse 21 summarizes the gospel as Christ exchanging His righteousness for our rottenness. How could you use this verse to share the good news with someone?
10. How has Christ's love personally compelled you to move toward someone you might otherwise avoid? Share an example.
11. Where in your life could you more intentionally act as an ambassador for Christ? Is there someone God is calling you to reach with the gospel? Pray for that individual right now.
12. What barriers are keeping you from engaging in the ministry of reconciliation as an ambassador of Christ?
13. How can your group better reflect God's heart for reconciliation and be a sending community for missions?