**FOCUS Bible Study - November 02**

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This meeting is being recorded. Hey, Brian. Can I hear you yet?

[@0:15](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=15.86) - **Brian**

There we go. You hear me now?

[@0:18](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=18.28) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

I can hear you now.

[@0:22](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=22.0" \t "_blank) - **Brian**

Trying to figure out her computer here. She has all these settings where she doesn't like to be seen, she's always muting things.

I don't know. No problem.

[@0:37](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=37.26) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Excuse me second.

[@0:39](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=39.94) - **Brian**

I hadn't talked to you much, so I didn't know if we were going do a Bible study or not.

[@0:46](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=46.54) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Trying to stay on track here.

[@0:48](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=48.52) - **Brian**

Yeah.

[@0:49](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=49.94) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

It's hard, obviously, with us being out of town previously.

[@0:54](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=54.52) - **Brian**

So you had a good time?

[@0:56](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=56.02) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, we had a wonderful time.

[@0:57](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=57.82) - **Brian**

Awesome.

[@0:58](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=58.68) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, it turned out very,

[@1:00](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=60.0) - **Luke**

Nice very cool Let's see what am I doing here Like the glare in here hang on mm-hmm good morning Luke Good morning, how are you doing Rick I've been sick for the last just over a week now since last Friday Are you up for doing this?

[@1:30](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=90.0) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Oh, yeah, we got to do this awesome. Okay, well, I'm in not awesome that you're sick Good news is we went to the doctor later.

had my wife take me to the doctor last night So it's it's lungs are clear. not influenza. It's not COVID.

You know, it's it's not pneumonia So it's just a viral thing happening in my lung. They gave me some steroids.

So hopefully it will knock it out You After that zero, Jason, good morning, Alicia.

[@2:05](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=125.12) - **Alicia**

Good morning, Alicia, guys.

[@2:14](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=134.84) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

I was concerned with us being gone the last time if we get people showing up today. So I'm glad you guys have jumped jumped on.

It's nine o'clock. Let's just give it a couple more minutes. Okay.

[@2:30](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=150.4) - **Brian**

So, Alicia, good.

[@2:32](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=152.54) - **Alicia**

Yes.

[@2:33](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=153.82) - **Brian**

Yeah. just so you know, we're not doing group tonight.

[@2:38](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=158.32) - **Alicia**

Okay.

[@2:39](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=159.44) - **Brian**

I didn't know if you had planned on that or not, but.

[@2:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=162.44) - **Alicia**

Yeah, it was fun. I'd be in there, but that's right.

[@2:44](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=164.62) - **Brian**

Oh, okay. Okay. I didn't know I didn't. I hadn't talked to anybody, but I was going to do. Group for Rick because Rick's going to be gone tonight.

And so, but then I realized that I forgot that I had done. Promised the next-door neighbors that we go to their baby christening you're not the christening, but it's uh the dedication dedication.

[@3:10](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=190.16) - **Alicia**

Thank you that's so Okay, I was yeah, it's fine and I even had to recruit so I Was I was kind of bummed a little bit so Yeah, sorry Oh, I was gonna say I've been talking to Britt and she said that if we got together every other the opposite weekends because she has her kids the same weekends as we Together so just like if it ever flips then let me know so oh, okay.

[@3:41](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=221.22) - **Brian**

Yeah, cuz she I I keep reaching out to her and I don't even get a Comment or anything, but I don't I didn't know if she just wasn't interested or not.

[@3:50](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=230.78) - **Alicia**

So Yeah, I think last time I saw her phone. She had over a hundred missed like messages that she hasn't responded to so She's just busy.

[@3:59](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=239.18) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah Well, um, Brian, why don't we stay on our original schedule? If you don't having the next one, then that way, you know, we'll just stay.

Yeah.

[@4:08](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=248.8) - **Brian**

I was going to suggest that. Yeah. So in two weeks, we'll do another one.

[@4:13](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=253.72) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Okay.

[@4:15](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=255.92) - **Alicia**

And it was how I said my house. Brian's in two weeks. Okay. Sounds good.

[@4:22](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=262.06) - **Brian**

Yeah. Cause this would have been rich weekend.

[@4:24](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=264.3) - **Alicia**

Yeah.

[@4:25](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=265.68) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Welcome, Ken. Welcome, Lori. We're glad you're here today. Thank you for joining us.

[@4:31](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=271.22) - **Laurie Nelson**

Good morning.

[@4:32](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=272.66) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Morning.

[@4:34](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=274.5) - **Brian**

You Lori.

[@4:37](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=277.18) - **Laurie Nelson**

How are you, Brian?

[@4:38](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=278.6) - **Brian**

I'm awesome.

[@4:39](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=279.74) - **Laurie Nelson**

Thank you. Good.

[@4:41](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=281.3) - **Brian**

Good to see you.

[@4:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=282.64) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

You know, we're just going to wait a couple more minutes. So go ahead and continue to converse for just a minute or two here.

Okay. Thanks. Hi, Lori.

[@4:53](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=293.32) - **Laurie Nelson**

Yilly.

[@4:54](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=294.68) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

That's my wife in the background, guys. And she's not going to be on screen, but you'll hear her voice.

[@4:59](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=299.66) - **Brian**

Thank you. And they can, where are you calling in from?

[@5:07](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=307.54) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

If you don't mind letting us know.

[@5:10](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=310.82) - **Brian**

He's on mute. Grab mute, bud. There he goes.

[@5:23](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=323.04) - **Ken**

OK, I'm from Beaver Dam.

[@5:25](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=325.22) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Oh, OK, Cool. Glad you joined us. Did you find out about us?

[@5:31](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=331.98) - **Ken**

Ah, through Lori.

[@5:33](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=333.56) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Oh, nice. Thank you, Lori.

[@5:36](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=336.74) - **Laurie Nelson**

Yeah. Hi, Ken.

[@5:38](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=338.16) - **Ken**

How are you this morning? Go ahead.

[@5:40](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=340.76) - **Laurie Nelson**

Good.

[@5:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=342.66) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

I'd like to welcome Leanne too. Thanks for joining us this morning, Leanne. You hear us? OK, good. All right.

Well, it is 904. Why don't we go ahead and get started? I told people who were on earlier that.

I apologize. I am sick. I've been sick since last Friday. So I sound a little different than I do normally.

I may be coughing, blowing my nose. I apologize for that. But the good news is I went to the doctor last night.

It's not COVID. It's not influenza. It's not pneumonia. All of that stuff has been ruled out. It's just a viral thing happening in the lungs that gave me some steroids.

We're going to hopefully be on the mend, but I do appreciate your prayers. Okay. Thank you, everyone. So with that, yeah, let's go ahead and pray and let's jump into it.

It looks like we had somebody else join us here, Hannah. thank you for jumping on wherever she ended up.

If they didn't, they'd end up on here. I hit a mitt, but I didn't see them join. Okay. Well, let's pray.

Lord Jesus, we thank you for this day. We thank you for this opportunity to come together. We thank you, God, that you prepared our hearts because, Lord, we came wanting to know you.

We came wanting to hear something from you. doesn't matter what comes out of my lips, Lord. It comes matter.

what comes out of your word. So speak to us. Help us to recognize what you're trying to say to us today.

Help us to grow because of it and help us to fall deeper and deeper in love with you. We thank you God for showing up.

Thank you for manifesting your Holy Spirit in Jesus name. Amen. I also want to say while I was thinking about this lesson over the last couple of weeks, and I really did go over it almost every day trying to think about, you know, the impact of it, what I could be doing to share what other scriptures become to mind.

And you'll be surprised. I think it might be the shortest lesson I put out here. In the chat, I'm going to include the scriptural list.

And you'll see typically I have about 20, 30 scriptures. Today we have five. So it is dramatically different. One of the last ones will be the whole chapter of Ephesians 2 that we'll cover, but we'll break that down as we go.

So what we do around here is we like to take turns reading scripture. I'll just call randomly kind of on the screen.

as I have. If you're comfortable reading, then just go ahead and jump into the reading. If you're not comfortable reading, that's okay.

I don't want to put any pressure, just say pass, and I'll skip you from that point on, okay? So our main scripture will come out of 2 Corinthians chapter 5 verses 17 through 20.

Give you a second to get there. 2 Corinthians chapter 5 verses 17 through 20. Today we're going to talk about the ministry of reconciliation, the ministry of reconciliation.

So I'm going to start with Brian. If that's okay, he's the first in my upper right corner. Brian, do you mind reading that today for a second Corinthians chapter 5 verses 17 through 20.

[@8:51](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=531.6) - **Brian**

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. things have passed away, behold, all things have become new.

Now, all things are of God who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

That is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trust as is to them and as committed to us the word of reconciliation.

Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us, we implore you on Christ we have, be reconciled to God.

[@9:33](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=573.7) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Thank you. So, some of you are reading some translations that are slightly different than Brian's and that's okay and even mine is a little slightly different, reading out of the King James version.

[@9:44](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=584.38) - **Brian**

I think Brian was reading out of the new King James version, is that correct?

[@9:47](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=587.82) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yep. So, you're going to see some different translations of words in there and that's fine. For example, in verse 17, mine reads, anyone in Christ is a new creature and Brian says, a new person.

person. creation. So that's kind of cool that it translated from creation, creature to creation. Well, what I want to do is dig into these four verses and say, what is, what is really behind the verses?

What's some of the interpretation here that can motivate us into understanding what God is saying to us? So let's break it down.

And therefore, if any man or anyone is really the translation there, if anyone, because we don't separate out man versus woman, if anyone be in Christ, what do you think it means to be in Christ?

[@10:44](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=644.78) - **Laurie Nelson**

Yeah, Rick, I just think of any, when you're crucified, when your flesh is crucified and you're born again, your life is known or yours, you're hidden in Christ.

[@10:56](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=656.3) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

That's just what I think about. Yeah, I think that's spot on the note. I wrote down, as I said, to be in Christ means that I have been swallowed up by the character of Christ, and I'm acting like he acted, not like my old self, therefore I truly am a new creation.

know, so there's there's our first kind of requirement, right? We need to be completely surrendered, swallowed up, whatever you might call it, be in Christ.

And then when we've done that, we truly can consider ourselves a new creature or creation. It comes from the Greek word, and I'm going to butcher this.

So I do apologize, but I'll try my best. Kitsus, Kitsus, which means creation, building, ordinance, or the act of founding.

It has a further meaning like the thing created after a rabbinical use by which a person converted from idolatry Judaism.

So think of it like this. It's like you've been stripped down to the bare foundation. Dacian so you could be rebuilt That's that's really what the scriptures trying to say there if you are in Christ you've been stripped down rebuilt because what which you built previously was your own strength, right?

We're the things of your own abilities and I don't I can't remember right off the top of my head where the scripture is book But it says that fire will try our lives Whether they be of wood the things that we built whether they be of wood Hate or stubble or gold and silver and precious metal and anybody recall that scripture Yeah, kind of you kind of have an idea what i'm talking about At the end times talks about like god will purge the world with fire and even even the trials of our lives are referred to as fire, right?

Fear not the fiery trial that comes against you, right? The trials are allowed to come into our lives to help strip us down even as cold maybe first

example of my life, right, is just to help me realize I can't rely on my own strength because even small, the minuscule thing like a microscopic virus can take me down.

You know, I have no real control over my life, none of us do. And so we have to be willing to let God strip us down so we can be built up with precious things in our lives, things like love, enjoy, and peace, and long suffering, all those things that are of God, right, that then when trials come, those things will be lasting because they won't be consumed by the fire.

They will be purified by the fire. So that'll make sense. Okay, let's continue on in the scripture. Old things are passed away.

That's what we're talking about. All those things have kind of burnt up behold, all things have become new. What do you think that means?

What does it mean when something becomes new? You have the whole practice of being born again. Christ, you know, you're a new creation, you have a whole new lease on life because of the salvation that comes to your life because of the power that Jesus is blood that he showed on the cross.

Yeah, for those who you can't see, that's my wife talking in the background here. That's Julie, yeah, and Julie, I think that's a great response.

[@14:17](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=857.54) - **Laurie Nelson**

Lori, you got your hand raised. Yeah, if we're continuing on the fire, if you think about a real fire that just maybe blows through California's trees and stuff like that, and everything just gets burnt to a crisp, but then all of a sudden all this new stuff starts to bud up from that, and it almost is like the fire gets rid of all that stuff, but then the new stuff grows in its place.

[@14:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=882.62) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

That's what I think about. Yeah, I could easily vision that as you were talking about that, and maybe all that stuff wanted to grow, but maybe there was no room for it to grow before that.

You know, that's a good thought. And maybe God clears our lives of some of the stuff so that there is some fresh things coming that we would never have expected or seen.

I don't know. The word new in the Greek is k-k-n-os. think that's better pronounced k-g-e-n-o-s. And it means recently made fresh, unprecedented, or uncommon.

So see, there's some uncommon things God wants to do in your life. But you have to be willing to be open to the miraculous, be willing to see, you know, the unexpected, kind of like, right?

How do you be aware of the unexpected, where you just have to be eyes open, just have to be kind of paying attention.

Let's continue on. And all things are of God who have reconciled us to himself. This is the first use of the word reconcile, or form of the word reconcile, reconciled.

And it's one of four times it's used in just this four verse scripture. Thank you, Hannah, for joining us.

We appreciate that today. hope you enjoyed the study. We're just taking a Glimps through 2 Corinthians 15 through 17 through 20, 2 Corinthians 5, chapter 5 verses 17 through 20.

So word reconciled in the Greek is catalassos, catalassos, and it is to change exchange or return to or receive into favor.

Okay, let's hang on that last one to receive into favor. So let's go back and say, all things are of God who had reconciled In other words, returned into favor us to himself by Jesus Christ, and the word by is better translated as through, who was reconciled to us to himself through Jesus Christ.

All right, so what do you think that is really trying to say that we were reconciled or returned to favor through Jesus Christ?

[@17:06](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1026.12) - **Luke**

It's only by the blood, the cross that set us free. So we have to go through Jesus, the way, the truth and the life.

[@17:16](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1036.46) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, there had to be a price paid, right? It takes me back to the thought of Genesis, right, when Adam and Eve fell out of the favor of God, they fell out of the presence of God because of sin, their disobedience caused them to be separated from his presence, causing them to be separated out of the Garden of Eden, right?

And so when they were there in this presence, they had his favor. When they were then separated, obviously they'd have lost that favor and God came through the person of Jesus Christ to be able to do that, to reconcile.

Now why did God have to come through Jesus Christ? Why did he have to put on a robe of flesh in order to do that?

as Luke said, because he had to shed blood. And as the scripture tells us, God is a spirit, a spirit.

doesn't have blood, right? And if it was blood that was going to play the price, then he had to put on a robo-fletch that would have the blood to be shed and do that for us.

And as a result, if we go back into the scripture, so he did that, and as a result have given to us the ministry of reconciliation.

So when he returned us to favor, it initiated something, it initiated us into this ministry of reconciliation that word ministry in the Greek is ikonnya.

But it means service, it means those who execute the commands of others. It's me the Office of Moses, the Apostles, Prophets, Angels, Deacons, Elders, etc., or those who and present food.

So ministry is really all about service. think of people like in the Bible like Moses or John or Peter.

These are prophets, Isaiah, these are all people who served the will of God, right? So really, what does that tell us if we have been given the ministry of reconciliation?

Now that we understand what that word means, what is it telling us?

[@19:25](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1165.48) - **Luke**

Well, we no longer need to live separately from God. God has restored us to a right relationship with Him through the blood of Christ.

[@19:38](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1178.64) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, and that's something worth celebrating, isn't it?

[@19:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1182.06) - **Luke**

Oh, yeah.

[@19:43](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1183.0) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, when you celebrate, what do you want to do when you have a celebration? Do you want to do it alone?

Do you want to celebrate alone? No, what do you want to do?

[@19:59](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1199.66) - **Laurie Nelson**

You want to Right. Everybody you can.

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There you go. And so if ministry is about serving, then how do you serve? Well, you can't serve just yourself, can you?

I mean, you could, but it's not much of a celebration that way, right? So you go out and you tell others, you serve others by sharing what God has done for you.

So that's really what this is saying when he's given us the ministry of reconciliation. We now know he died, he shed his blood for us so we could find favor, we could be back in favorable relationship of God.

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And it's a thing that is exciting and worthwhile that we feel it. We we experience it within our soul lifts, right?

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We recognize the newness that comes that freshness. We feel it. We can't always put words to it, but we feel it.

And that desire then is like, hey, we want to go tell everybody. Remember, scripture says there is joy in heaven, resulting over one sinner that repents.

Well, that sinner on earth who repented. I mean, he's got exuber joy as well. So joy is the thing that bubbles up.

first bubbles up into the presence of the angels, but once it bubbles up there, it kind of like think of like a big mushroom club.

You know, this is by brown, bad analogy, but think of an explosion, right? It starts like, boom, up and up and then falls back down around, right?

So think about this joy that you have, it's like, boom, it blows up into the heavenly realms because now you realize you're part of it, you're part of those heavenly realms, we're going to read about that in a minute, and then it settles around you, meaning you start sharing it with others around you, they can also experience it, and what that is really called is a chain reaction, right?

And that's what happens in an explosion, typically, is little pieces go boom, then the next piece goes boom, the next piece goes boom, and that's actually what's causing this huge mushroom club, but each little pieces had its own little burst, right?

That's what that's even what fireworks do, if you think about fireworks, right? They get shot up in the air, there's this first explosion that gets shot up, and then after that, boom, there's another explosion, and boom, another

closing, and then you start to see all these twinkling lights, right? Well, that's the same thing with our experience of coming to God, really, what should happen to us is we have this initial thrust.

Wow, I realize what God has done for me, and then we should be ministering, sharing, serving others around us what God has done for us, and as we do, they start to experience it themselves.

It's pretty cool, isn't it? All that in just this little phrase we read, you know, he's given to us the ministry of reconciliation.

Let's continue to wit that God, and that word to wit, that's almost like saying, now pause for a second, and think about it.

Think about why he's given us the ministry of reconciliation, because it's what he just last talked about, he's saying to wit, pause for a second.

Think about this, that God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself, okay? So God was in Christ, meaning we just said, God's the Spirit, he had to put put

Self into Christ so he would have blood available to shed so that he could draw the world unto himself He wasn't just yeah, he would do it just for you if you were the only person on earth but But he did it not just for you, but for everybody I mean your value and worth is the same as everybody else's in the entire world who has ever lived in all of history Think about this, right?

That's why we can't compare each other because to God we're all valuable He was willing to pay that kind of valuable price for every single individual who already lived who would live or who was living and who would live I mean billion there's eight billion people on the earth today think about the billions that have come before I mean, I don't know we could be approaching trillion by the time you get to have and I mean who knows, right?

But think about God loves each and every one of us the same that he'd be willing to do that he reconciled the world unto himself and

How did he do it? on, by not imputing, and that means not taking into account, their trespasses unto them.

In other words, he wasn't holding a record against them. He wasn't gonna hold their sin against them. This is key, and had committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

All right, so he wasn't gonna hold their trespass, their sin against them. Now, Adam and Eve, when they sinned, who did they sin against?

God, exactly. It wasn't against each other. They sinned against God. So their sin was, who could hold their sin against them?

The only one who could hold their sin against them was God. And God is saying, look, I'm not gonna hold the sin you made against me against you.

And I have, I've been in an accountant for 30 years, and a part of is, You reconcile accounts. That's simply what the word accounting means.

You have accounts All of us do it. All of us all of us are accountants whether you know it or not Some of us are better at it than others perhaps, but that's okay.

doesn't matter But you have a bank statement if you have a checking counter savings account, but you have a you have a bank statement For your checking account and you have a check register what you've written out of that account and hopefully in a monthly basis You're comparing those two accounts and saying do they line up?

That's what reconciliation means and so what God is saying is look I know they're not even I know the accounts that I have against you I've wiped them clean my account says you know nothing But you've been holding on to your people that says I've sinned against you and you know I got to get you to wipe that clean and the only way I can get you to wipe that clean is you recognize what I did for you I can shed the blood for you, but unless you apply it to your life.

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It's gonna be meaningless yourself

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So, the moment you recognize and accept what God has done for you, your account gets wiped clean too and now you're brought back together, they're in alignment.

They're no longer up kilter. So to wit that God was in Christ, reconciled the world, he did it for everyone, not trying to hold anything against you.

And as a result of what he did, there's nothing held against you. You have to come to realize that.

And because of that, he's committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Did you catch the difference there? He said the ministry of reconciliation given to us.

And now he said the word of reconciliation was given to us. Ministry and word, that word word in the Greek is logos.

Hey, got that one easy. That one I got. pronounced correctly, And it means speech. What someone has said, the act of speaking, teaching or reasoning.

Exactly what I'm doing here right now today. I'm trying to teach and to reason with you to help you understand truly what it is God did and by doing that, I'm expressing this word of Reconciliation that God has reconciled.

He's returned you to favor and If you have that excitement in yourself, you're gonna want to serve others and what are you gonna do?

You're gonna want to speak it that word. You're gonna want to share it with others How it could be through teaching just to be sharing your story it could be through ministry could be sharing the scripture It could be trying to help them understand and reason, you know in their own life the things that are going on compared to what God done for them It's all going to be different for each and every one of us, but yet it's all going to be the same It's gonna be different, but it's gonna be the same.

What do you think I mean by that people? Different by the same You

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We're going to be teaching or spreading the message through word of mouth and we're going to bring into it our personal experiences and do an interpretation as we know it.

[@28:23](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1703.4) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, that's greatly unperfect. Yeah, Julie, are you going say? I'm going to say that God created us each with different abilities and skills, but all for one purpose and that is to reach people for him, for his kingdom and to bring people to eternal salvation.

So we've been contributing something different down that journey. Yeah, exactly. Right. See, there really is no wrong answer to the question I asked because everyone hears it slightly differently, everyone feels it slightly differently and everyone's going to express it slightly differently.

So that's all great. Thank you. you. One second. I apologize. Okay, the word reconciliation according to the Oxford Dictionary, it means the restoration of friendly relations, the action of making one's view or belief compatible with another, or the action of making accounts consistent like I talked about, where now they line up.

So the word reconciliation, this is interesting, I told you I used the King James Urgent, so this is according to the King James Urgent, the word reconciliation appears only eight times.

Now you all know me from past to Bible studies that I like numbers, Being an encounter, I like numbers, numbers speak to us.

Does anybody recall what number eight represents? It represents new beginnings. Isn't that exactly what we're talking about here when you have a reconciliation?

You're born again, you got a new beginning. So I don't It gets coincidence that it only shows up eight times in Scripture.

It's like God emphasizing reconciliation is about a new beginning. Now, the words reconcile reconciled reconciling those three combinations. Any one of those, the total appears only 14 times in the James.

And 14 is a double portion of seven, right? times seven is 14 and seven is completion or salvation, right?

So in other words, you receive a double portion of salvation or deliverance or divine perfection. Isn't that what reconciling means?

You're getting right with God. You're getting put into right favor. So again, there's no contradiction or coincidence that God uses it 14 times to say, Hey, yeah, you're getting in the right, right relationship with me when you're reconciled to me.

Now, add those two together, and eight and 14 for all the combinations. And how the word reconcile is used to get 22 times that it's

used in the King James and 22 is associated with divine power or manifestation of God's will on earth. That's pretty significant.

It wasn't saying that God wanted to reconcile the world to himself. The power of God is in reconciling us to himself and to each other in essence and to represent union.

God wants to be in union with us. And so because it's been separated, but he so much wants union, he wants to reconcile us to himself.

So he first showed it and did it so that we'd have an example to continue to reconcile with each other.

Let's go to Proverbs chapter 10. Proverbs chapter 10. Can you put those on the notes? Yes, I did, but maybe not everyone got him yet.

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No, not the scripture, the number meanings.

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Oh, oh yes. So for those of you who are new, I also post this out into my website at rickstevensonministries.com.

There's a page for my ministry within that page. There's a page called focus Bible study. So I post the recording and I post the transcripts in there as well.

So it would take me too long to type up in the chat right now. But you can go out after the lesson.

Give me an hour or two after the lesson is done for me to get a post it out there, but you can go back and get those meanings in the transcripts.

[@32:32](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1952.86) - **Alicia**

Okay. Okay. then where do you find like the number meanings like is there a website that you go to or great questions.

[@32:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=1962.24) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Well, first, I found the meanings of one through 10 by studying in scripture myself because I wanted to know what did scripture say because yes, you can go out and you can Google what is the.

And this is important. I would use the word biblical meaning. What is the biblical meaning of the number X whatever the X is.

And you'll get a bunch of listings. Now you have to have discernment, right? Because whatever you find out will not contradict to what God's word says.

So if you find a contradiction, it might be a human interpretation. There are psychics out there that are not of God, that are trying to say, this is an angelic number, a psychic number, what the meaning is.

Sometimes they'll line up, most of the time they won't. There'll be a feel good, sound good kind of explanation.

So you have to have discernment. But I believe if you study the numbers zero through nine in scripture or one through ten in scripture, you're going to understand God how he speaks to those basic numbers.

And once you understand those basic numbers, you can start to understand more complex numbers. Like the combination of one and two, twelve is government, right?

But it comes from one God and two union, union man. So of course you can see how God and man is trying to be governed right?

So you can start to see they combine and tell you Godly interpretation. But yeah, there's all kinds of just be careful.

Okay, so we're in Proverbs 10, verse 12. And Luke, do you mind reading for us today? After I finish coughing, I apologize.

Okay.

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It's at verse 12 in chapter 10 of proper.

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That is correct.

[@34:29](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=2069.42) - **Luke**

Hatred stirs up quarrels, but love makes up for all offenses.

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Hatred stirs up quarrels. In my King James version, says, stripes and stripes also means discord, quarrels, right? So when you're angry or hatred or you're bitter towards something or somebody, it's going to come out and it's going to cause confrontation, isn't it?

But the other on the flip side of that love covers, or as the King James says, cover it, all sins.

Now, we also know the King James uses that little T.H. at the end of words, like cover, loveth, right?

it might be. Seemeth. Well, I don't know whatever I'm using examples, but the T.H. means to be continuous. It's a continuous thing that's done.

So love doesn't say, well, I'll forgive you this time. But you know what, you bring it up 20 minutes later, I might not forget you forgive you.

I would forward again. You do the same thing. No, love is a continuous then. It will cover consistently. If I'm going to forgive you for that thing once, then I better forgive you for that thing forever, right?

Because what's the point? It's not real love. So that's why when Jesus came and he shed his blood for us, we know that was done out of love, right?

It's something that is just flowing. It can't be taken back once it's out there. But this is not just

And when we find first Peter 4, let's read verse 8. Alicia, would you read that, please?

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Yep. Above all, love each other deeply because love covers over a multitude of sins.

[@36:19](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=2179.98) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

And like King James uses instead of deeply like fervent, right? It's talks about fervent, charity, fervent means without ceasing.

Means intentional, you're intentional about it. And instead of using the word love, King James uses the word charity. It also uses the same word charity in the big love chapter in that's used at weddings a lot.

Remember where it says love does not vault itself. The love is not envious. All those kinds of things will use that word charity.

Why is it important that it uses that word charity? Because charity has two definitions, essentially, it means love in giving.

And genuine love. of Godly love cannot be separated out from the giving, because genuine love gives of itself. Isn't that what God did?

he shed his blood, he gave for the famous 3-16 John 3-16, for God so loveth, there's that word loveth, T-H in the King James, continuously love that he gave his only good love, right?

shed his blood, he gave love, caused him to give genuine love, causes you to give something. Right? So if you've been calling in this ministry of reconciliation, you've been called to share your word, your testimony, your experience with God, then your love is going to want to flow naturally, and you're going to want to give it naturally, right?

free flowing. Now you're going to discern when people are ready to receive it or not. That's the key. mean, we could just walk along all day sharing and giving this love of God away, right?

but Jesus He said, don't throw your pearls before swine. That seemed like an odd scripture. Why would he share that?

Because, I mean, he wants us to reach people, but even Jesus said to his disciples at one point, look, I have so much I want to share with you, but you're not ready yet to receive it.

You have to recognize when somebody is ready to receive, when somebody's ready to grasp on to what you're going to share with them.

And you go inside, they'll be kind of this push in you, like, okay, share this, share this, or they'll be this kind of waiting, it's like pause second, wait, hold on, don't wait to share that yet, because in the spirit, you're reading them.

Are they ready to receive it or not? So if you just are sensitive to the Holy Spirit, you just stay sensitive, you say discerning, that's why I use that word discerning, you can discern whether this person is going to take it or not.

And you know how deep to go, because I believe it was Alicia's version said, Love, right? Fervant, you'll know how deep you need to go with somebody.

You start off sharing a little bit about what God has done in your life. And you can tell how they were responding.

You know, are they responding positively? Okay, you share a little bit more. Are they still responding positively? then share a little bit more.

But I've been at fault for this. Sometimes I've backed up the dump truck and I unloaded the whole load on them.

And what happened? They were all wrong. They didn't know what to do. And unfortunately, they walk away with nothing then because of that.

I've learned from experience because I made those mistakes. So you back up the back dump truck, but you just let out a little bit of time.

Give them a little bit. Okay, they can handle that. Okay, good. Now give them a little bit more. Okay, they can handle that.

Okay, no, no, they had enough. Okay, now it's time to drive the dump truck away. Come back another day, if I can.

That's, that's using wisdom. Any questions about that? Want to share on that? Yeah, we go ahead.

[@40:06](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=2406.94) - **Laurie Nelson**

Yeah, just my experience especially with sharing with people who don't Daily have this experience with God they or they haven't been born again.

I guess you could say is This this hush will almost come over Over the air or over the over the place you're speaking in When you're one-on-one with them or even there's a few people This has just been my experience, but it's happened multiple times and it reminds me of the scripture be silent all flesh the Lord is stirring out of his holy habitation and You can really discern that in the spirit if you're listening like this everything will just hush because deep inside we know that the presence of the Lord is stirring and People will

Listen and their hearts will be perked up to what you're saying because the spirit knows how to do that But don't force it.

Don't do it on your own. I guess is what I'm trying to say.

[@41:10](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=2470.12) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

That's very good. Thank you for sharing that. That's very good Maybe the question to who's hitting us sometimes like it did with me at the beginning is like how do I know when to share with somebody?

Right, how do I know that God really wants to share through me with somebody? Remember early on as a Christian.

I You'd hear it being talked about like share your witness right to witness to somebody and Early on when I'd get this thought and I'm sure that I share with this person also and I'd have this tingly-ness this this Energy level it really felt like a buzzing in my body and I felt like okay that's telling me I should do something I should share something and So I kind of relied on that at first, you know Like this okay, wait for this buzzing to happen at first it helped me to know but eventually that had to go away And I just had to trust right like

You just hear and you start trusting when God is leading you. I think there's a scripture that says, too, don't worry about what you're going to say when you're brought up before kings and magistrates, right?

Just trust that God will give you the right words, you know, because it won't be you speaking any longer.

will be God speaking through you. Kathleen, thanks for joining us today. We're glad you're here. We're talking about our main scripture texts out of 2 Corinthians chapter 5 verses 17 through 20 about the ministry of reconciliation.

We've also read Proverbs 10, 12, and 1st people, 4, 8, and so we've talked about what does it mean when love covers a multitude of sin.

Now we're going to flip over right now to Matthew chapter 5, Matthew chapter 5, and we're going to read verses 22 through 24.

And Julie, do you mind reading that when you have it, Matthew? five versus 22 through 24. But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgment.

Again, anyone who says to his brother, Raka, is answerable to the standard leader, but anyone who says in school will be in danger of the fire of hell.

Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar, and they'll remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar, first told, and be reconciled with his brother, then come and offering the gift.

Thank you. So there's a lot there in those few short verses. This is part of the what you call the Beatitudes or the Sermon on the Month.

When Jesus gets to this part, he's saying, whoever's angry, that word angry means provoked, enraged or exasperated with his brother.

If anybody ever felt those things, exasperated. Yeah, provoked against somebody, you know, I have, unfortunately, I have felt that without cause, notice that next phrase, you've been provoked angry at them without cause, they didn't do anything, but you just thought, you know, they looked at you the wrong way or, you know, they brush by you in such a fast pace that you're like, what's going on, I, you know, I mean, something just came over you.

And without cause, that means of vain or for no reason. When you feel that way, you're in danger, I didn't say the scripture saying this, you're in danger of the judgment.

Ooh, we better be careful then, right? And then he goes on and says, whoever says, shall, me. Senseless, worthless one, or what we might say in today's vernacular, you idiot.

That person who says that shall be in danger of the council. Oh my goodness, God have mercy on me.

Because I've been there, unfortunately. I've done those things. But who service should say thou fool? And that means an impuice, godless, dull or stupid, or is actually from the Greek moros where we get the word moron.

So if any of us, besides myself, idiot, you moron, perhaps too many times that I've been driving. God have mercy on me, because it says we've been in danger of hellfire.

That's not something to be taken lightly. That means I better start changing the way I think, and I'm trying to believe me.

trying to. trying to say, God, when those things come out of my mouth or out of my lips, help me to realize I don't understand what I'm doing.

And it goes on. He's trying to say, he's trying to connect. That thought those thoughts with the next set of thoughts Because here's the here's the thing If they'll bring that gift to the altar and they remembers thy brother have ought against thee Well, that word ought means anything if they brother have anything against thee Leave their gift before the altar.

Oh, way first Be reconciled and that means have a renewed friendship with that's that really means right there first go at be renewed as friends To that brother then come after thy gift So in g's day and age what he's saying is look look you were bringing gift to the temple to the altar to have sacrifice Right because you're trying to grow in your relationship with god But you realize somebody's mad at you.

You didn't do anything This is just the opposite of what he was just talking about where you've been mad at somebody for no reason But it happens where people are mad at you for no reason and you know about it And you brought your gift and you know that they're mad at you for for for summaries, but you don't know why

Don't offer your gift. It's more important that you go get reconciled to that individual. Because that is showing the example what God did when He reconciled us to Himself.

He said, God said, you're in so much fault. You're angry for no just reason. I told you there's this garden.

I told you there's this tree. Don't eat of it. can have everything else but this one little thing. Because I wouldn't give you this one little thing.

got angry at me for no reason. And I told you there's consequences for it. And when you ate it and you did it and you're suffering the consequences and you're mad at me because you're suffering the consequences for it.

That's not right. But that's okay. I'm going to take care of it. You can't take care of it. I'm going to take care of it.

I'm going to come in a bodily form. I'm going to hang it upon a suffer embarrassment and retaliation, rejection, resentment, and bitterness, and all this stuff against me, and I'm gonna shed my blood.

I'm gonna die of a violent death, so that blood will wash away the account of all that stuff, and we can be made right.

So because I set that example for you, now when you want to have relationship with me and you want to pretend like everything's hunky-dory, when you know somebody else is angry with you, wait a minute, it's more important that you go get reconciled with them first.

That's why we have this ministry of reconciliation. That's why he's given us the words to go speak to somebody else.

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So if I can interrupt you, Pastor Rick, what do you think about people that you have good boundaries with because they're kind of toxic people, so it's not like you,

Forgive them, but you don't invite them back into your life.

[@49:04](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=2944.28) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

What do you think of that? Exactly? That's a very good point and an essential point because How many times did Jesus die for us?

Once He doesn't continuously hang upon a cross for those who reject him He makes the effort But if the effort is rejected, that's not on him anymore We when we realize somebody has done us wrong or we've done something wrong We've got to go and make it right.

We got to take the initial effort Do what we can if they accept that we're made reconciled. Wow, that's awesome.

That's that's exactly or after if they reject that That's not on us anymore How many times do we continue to pursue it?

That's between you and God. I don't know what the right answer is because we see, excuse me, we see in scripture when the disciples and Jesus were talking about forgiveness and there's a difference between forgiveness and reconciliation.

Well, I hope we understand that, but let's use forgiveness as a starting platform. Jesus said, you know, you need to forgive basically without limit and Jesus and the disciples were thinking, well, we can really understand this concept because how many times should I be seven times 70?

Like, I'm going, pardon seven times that I should forgive somebody. They were thinking in terms of completion, like, hey, if I forgave somebody once, I'm doing a good job, you know, but if I forgive seven times spiritual completion, right, if I forgive seven times, man, I'm like supernova Christian, you know, religious person for giving someone that many times, because who else is going forgive that many times?

And Jesus, the model of water, and you need to forgive 70 times seven, 490 times, the same thing happened.

I got to forgive that many times. In other words, you try and say, set no limit to it. So forgiveness is a thing that should be easily acceptable in us.

I'm going to let you share in a second, Brian. I'm going to share my personal example. As I was raised in a home where I was belittled emotionally, told I was worthless and would never amount to anything.

And I had to learn to forgive my mother when I came to Christ, right? And that didn't mean it was easy.

By all means, it was not easy. But I had to realize I had to forgive. And even though she would keep doing those kinds of things, no matter how many times she would keep doing those kinds of things, I had to forgive and realize this has nothing to do with me.

Because we don't forgive. We're impacting ourselves. It's an acid internally that eats the container. When we forgive, we release that.

We stop eating away at ourselves. Reconciliation. is about bringing alignment with the right party. So I forgive in the sense that it helps me.

That's why there's a difference between forgiveness and reconciliation. I reconcile so that it helps her. Brian, go ahead.

[@52:18](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3138.74) - **Brian**

No, I was just going to reiterate kind of what you're just talking about, where it's a step. You got to do things in order.

And the first step is to forgive. Then you can go on to reconciliation, then you reconcile back to the father.

But without the forgiveness, the reconciliation can't happen. Is that kind of what you're saying?

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Yeah, exactly.

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And then in this political climate we're in right now, it's just, it's volatile, you know? And I'm very guilty of this myself and with the whole rock, I think.

You know, but yeah.

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Pardon me, one second.

[@52:59](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3179.76) - **Brian**

I want to call. of unlike your head will explode.

[@53:05](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3185.32) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah, but if you're like internally, but that's just it. The devil wants to prompt us to be so angry without cause, even with cause.

If you think we can latch onto a cause to be angry, that's even easier for him, right? Because then we sink our teeth into this cause and we won't let go because the cause can always be brought back up.

If he can get his angry just about anything, even without cause, well, that's a little, you know, that works in his purpose and plan too, but it's easier for us to let go because at some point we go, what am I really angry about, right?

We have no cause associated with it's easier for us to let it go. But the key is forgiveness. forgive so that we can move on.

We reconcile so that they can be also be brought in the right relationship. But like Luke said, coming back full circle hopefully to the question is yes, we must set boundaries.

we can't, I can't forgive my mother and try to bring her into reconciliation and say, okay, mom, you know, we made things right and have her keep doing the same thing, right?

Because if she keeps doing the same thing, then have we truly reconcile? No. But I can make the effort and say, look, I'm willing to forgive and keep this relationship going in a positive direction.

But if she would say, no, you're still worthless, you're still empty and vile, whatever, right? I can say, okay, well, I'm sorry then that you feel that way.

I've tried to reconcile, but you know, we can't continue having connection. We can't continue. I've done again. I set my gift aside.

I've tried to make it right. And she's not willing that I can't force it. I can do my part.

I can accept those boundaries and say, tell you're willing to change. So you show me that you're willing to change, then that's as far as I can go.

Now I can go back and offer my gift. Lori, go ahead.

[@54:52](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3292.3) - **Laurie Nelson**

Yeah, I was thinking that anytime you're stuck in that cycle of continuous having to try to reconcile one sided.

It's almost like you're brought into a in a sense. And then you're all bound up. And sometimes when you're in that state of with another human being, especially, that becomes the entire focus then.

And it takes all of your energy, it almost becomes like unique deliverance from it, almost at a certain point, if you allow it to get that far.

These tactic relationships, definitely. So it definitely takes a certain journey of really deep down prayer with God for these relationships that are like that.

say, God especially doesn't want his children in . So he wants to free us from all of the , right?

[@55:53](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3353.7) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

So there definitely is a line there, I think. Yeah, and the enemy. who's existed long before we have, and has studied human behavior, knows how to twist these good things into employees to keep you from God as well.

What do I mean by that? Well, you might even have an issue with another Christian, right? And you might know these things that you need to reconcile or you need to have boundaries.

And you can have a confrontation where they'll start saying, I'm going to use myself as an example. I love this gentleman, and we had this confrontation.

And scripture says, you've got to share the truth and love. That doesn't mean it's all fancy, dancy, pansy, easy stuff.

It's not all lovey, dovey. know, you're so exceptional. You would never do anything wrong kind of stuff. It's like, hey, look, you're having this issue.

I'm trying to help you, but anger gets flared up when that issue gets brought up, right? And then they'll say, well,

just can't deal with that because I got to have proper boundaries. You say okay but wait a minute you haven't even first been reconciled.

You haven't even first acknowledged the issue. You know so we have to be careful and have discernment about how we approach these things.

When I say we got to share the truth and love that even means I got to have discernment. Am I sharing this the right way with this person?

Because the same topic shared with person A versus person B might have to be approached in two different ways.

I might have to be really soft and gentle with person A but I might have to be really hard and tenacious with person B because of their personalities and the way they will receive it.

But the topic might be the exact same and the words might be the exact same. only thing that might change it might be facial expression and tone.

Right? We just have to be sensitive to God moving in us and through us and that's why I tried to share in our opening scriptures.

The differentiation when it said the work reconciled us to himself by Jesus meant through Jesus and as though God Did it beseech you by us it means through us right you have to realize we are a vessel We are only a vessel on this earth That God wants to flow through and so our first responsibility is having right relationship with God Trying to stay in tune keep this vessel clear of anything that would block God moving in us So first responsibility is right relationship and then second responsibility is getting the flow out right right?

And if we're doing those two things then that's really all we can do I believe in my opinion Does that make sense to people I mean have I lost anybody are we all kind of?

Understanding this today is it making is it having an impact on you thumbs up if you think this is good stuff Okay, good

Let's summarize it then in our last scripture reading Ephesians chapter two and and for sake of time and benefit I'm going to read the chapter myself but I'm going read it slowly and then I'm going to I'm going to probably pause and make comment as we go through the verse okay or through the scripture.

So Ephesians chapter two and I think it relates very heavily to what we've been talking about and hopefully you'll see it too.

And you have he that is God quickened or brought to life is what that means and you have he quickened who were dead in trespasses and sins where in time past you walked according to the course of this world according to the prince of the power of the air the spirit that now work it in the children of disobedience.

Among whom also we had our conversation in times past in the lust of our flesh fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind and were by nature the children of wrath even as others.

So he's saying, hey, look, you're once caught up by this world, you're once deep into sin, because the rule of this world is sinful.

He looses for us over this world. He's influencing those who don't know God to be in sin. And you were there.

We were there. We were all there. I get it. But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherein he loved us, even when we were dead in sins, have quickened us together with Christ.

By grace, are you saved? And had raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

So even though you were there, even though you're in that sinful place, Jesus came and expressed grace by shedding his blood, dying on a cross for us, and raised you up to where he is.

He didn't lure himself down to where we are. He brought us up through this act so we could reside in heavenly places.

That in ages to come, he might show the exceeding riches of his grace, in his kindness towards us through Christ.

For by grace are you saved through faith, that not of yourself, it is the gift of God. Not of works, as any man should boast, for we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

So he lifted us up for a purpose. His grace is because he wants to give us a gift, the gift of salvation that we might work alongside him, through that gift to share it with others.

Wherefore remembering that your being in time passed Gentiles in the flesh, who are called uncircumcision, or by that which is called the circumcision in the flesh, made by hands.

So both Jews and Gentiles. the time you were without Christ being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenant's promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

But now in Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. So look, he did it for both Jew and Gentile.

He did it for everybody. And there's no more separation between the two all through his blood, for he is our peace who has made both one and have broken down the middle wall of partition between us, having abolished in his flesh the enmity, that is the hatred, the war, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances, for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace.

And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereof. He did it.

So we'd be unified, reconciled unto himself, and that we'd be able to live in peace, and came preached of peace to you, which were far off, and to them that were nine, for through him we both have access by one spirit unto the Father.

Now, therefore, you're no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and of the household of God, and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets.

Jesus Christ himself, being the chief cornerstone in whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord, in whom he also are built together for a habitation of God through the Spirit.

In other words, he brings us unity. He brings us peace. Why? So we can be one, we can be completely reconciled, and God can dwell us with his presence, because isn't

at the complete meaning of unity and reconciliation, we become one with God, God becomes one with us, we then share that with others so they too can experience it.

That's as simple as it gets. Questions? Thoughts? How is this pitch you today? Ken, are you going to say something?

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No.

[@1:04:25](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3865.96) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Okay.

[@1:04:27](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3867.04) - **Ken**

Okay. I'm moving my phone.

[@1:04:28](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3868.94) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

No problem.

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That's no problem.

[@1:04:31](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3871.64) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Okay. Leanne, go ahead.

[@1:04:35](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3875.26) - **Lee Anne Pietrus**

Hi. Thank you for letting me join. Wow. This is so salient to our times right now. Forgiving people, people, moving away from toxic people, forgiving them, reconciling with ourselves and our heart.

of empathy and just moving forward and if we need to put up a wall because when we allow ourselves to remain angry with someone or resentment to refill, it's like drinking poison and expecting the other person to die and that blocks us from the sunlight of the sunlight of God.

We can't see past our noses when we're so angry with everything in the world and playing victims because we have been saved and we are survivors and we've all come here um be a different path um but we all know that and we're okay with that.

[@1:05:58](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=3958.14) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Yeah very good you. for sharingly and I appreciate that. Anybody else? How is this hitting you today? I think what's important to remember is you can do your part at reconciliation and your part of forgiveness.

But a lot of times that's with people who have different hearts towards God or they may not even have a heart towards God and you have to release yourself a good afternoon.

You do make efforts to recognize God and to forgive knowing that you've done everything you can in your roots but that there is just so much anger and bitterness in the world you may not always be received the way you want to be received and you have to release yourself of that and know that you've done the best you can and then just great for those people and like Luke said just allow yourself to have that safe distance where their toxicity doesn't continue to elude your mind.

just continue to listen up and prayer, hoping that God will change and transform their lives. Excuse me, thank you for sharing that, Julie.

I appreciate that. Lauren, go ahead.

[@1:07:13](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4033.7) - **Laurie Nelson**

Yeah, this is just a message that no matter how long you've been a Christian needs to be heard over and over and over and over.

I don't care how many times you've heard about the cross of Christ and the reconciliation and the blood, it needs to be refreshed and renewed in you all the time because it's so easy to forget and to be distracted from the heart of this message, which really is we all need to be reconciled to Christ.

Even if we've just constantly finding ourself and dispute with other people. This last chapter that you read, Rick, in Ephesians was really beautiful because I had always looked at this portion as being reconciled to God, being made one to him, you know, the veil in the temple and being able to come one-on-one with God.

But here it's really illustrating that two people who had no business being unified could now be unified. And that was, it just, it topped off the whole message that Christ died to teach us.

[@1:08:34](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4114.78) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

And I think it was, it was great. Thank you. Thank you very much. Brian, go ahead.

[@1:08:42](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4122.16) - **Brian**

Yeah, this is extremely convicting. Like I said earlier, you know, it's the climate we're in right now with the election and all that stuff and everyone peeking back and forth and stuff.

just, and then this strikes home because this is kind of, I have a little bit of an issue going on with my brother, where we're not speaking.

And it's partially because I haven't reached out to him. And it's the avoidance thing. know, you don't want to have to bring up a bad subject or something.

And it's not me that's mad at him. It's more he stopped talking to me kind of thing. There's been a lot of that.

You know, once I became more vocal with my faith on social media, people started jumping at me and I get the negative stuff.

Well, then he has to hear it from them people from our hometown and, you know, that I'm the nuts, the only one now and not the party animal I used to be.

So it's a, yeah, it's tough, but we just got a grin and bear it and you say that I can't get reconciled until the

Forgiveness part is is taking care of.

[@1:10:03](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4203.34) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Well, thank you for your willingness to share that, Brian, and your vulnerability, and we will be praying for you and your brother, of course.

Leon, go ahead.

[@1:10:11](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4211.96) - **Lee Anne Pietrus**

Hi, just real quick. Um, boy, you really touched on that. a great segue. Thank you, Brian, and I pray for you and your family, um, social media, uh, people are reading it like it's a gospel truth, and there's just so much chatter and distraction, as you mentioned, and people are not grounding themselves.

They're just, they're reading all this chatter. looking at all this and they think that that's, you know, where they need to be right now.

And it is so far, so far moved from what God wants from us, you know, for what Jesus has done for us.

And I don't see any end, you know, and we have to, That's a whole other, you know, subject. It's madness, madness, tell you.

[@1:11:07](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4267.06) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Thank you. Yeah. Yeah. you. All right. Anybody else before we get into prayer, anybody else want to share something?

And this lesson I felt like was very simplistic, but very powerful. I felt it was going to be very powerful and I really did feel the power of Holy Spirit as we went through this today.

So, I thank you for your willingness to be here to hear this, to share it today. And I do pray that you walk away with something from this today that has impacted you, that you'll carry forward in your relationships, in your walk with God, and that you will truly pursue that word and ministry reconciliation.

I'm going to pray for us here in a second, but before I do, I'd like to get any prayer requests.

Obviously, I would like to be grateful that this virus would be taken care of and eradicated from my body.

So hopefully that's a given. Brian, Brian, we're going to pray for you and your brother, but other things that people will need prayer for.

The election is real and I'm jotting these down. So I'm taking some notes. Thank you.

[@1:12:18](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4338.28) - **Luke**

Anybody else? Kathleen, it looked like you wanted to say something first. So go ahead. All right, Kathleen. would like a prayer request.

My father is 86 years old. It has six months to live about three months ago. So I still go and he's gone to Florida with my sister.

And I do want prayer because I don't think I'm ever going to see him again. So I'm not going to unless I go down there.

I don't know. I don't have any plans, but my father's illness and how I'm taking it. I didn't, you know, I would really appreciate some prayer for that.

[@1:13:03](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4383.36) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Thank you for some good. Anybody else?

[@1:13:08](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4388.8) - **Cathileen**

I don't know if I did this right.

[@1:13:11](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4391.3) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Can you hear me? Yes, go ahead.

[@1:13:14](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4394.62) - **Cathileen**

I'm not super techy. So I just, I'm sorry for joining late. I had it on my calendar when I got busy doing all this work.

And then I couldn't get in. It was asking me to pay when I finally found a way to get in.

But anyway, hello, all of you. It's nice to meet you. This is a wonderful topic. And I think that it's probably pertinent to a lot of people, including me.

And I think I just wanted to say that with your statement of your dysfunctional childhood, like most of us have, it's reassuring because sometimes you feel like you're alone in dealing with

past events, even when your parents are past or your siblings, and there can be a disconnection, but sometimes it takes a long time to get to the spot where you've spent a lifetime for that approval from your siblings and you don't get it, but the relationship just becomes more dysfunctional, and there's more verbal abuse and emotional abuse, and then you come to a point where you're the one who needs to separate yourself because you just can't allow yourself to be in that kind of environment or be subject to that anymore.

Also in your own healing, because, you know, we're not all perfect coming out of this type of environment, so we need to work on ourselves as well with the help of the Lord.

But I think you can find a sense of peace after you have realized that that environment is not going to change, and you need to take care of yourself, and there's a certain sense of peace that you come when you just, I don't know if it's right or off, but I'm trying to find the right words.

You just go on, and you let go, and you're okay. So anyway, thank you for this Bible study. There's not many groups out there, community or Christians, and so I feel fortunate to have found this.

[@1:15:50](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4550.88) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

We're glad you found us as well, and we're glad you're here.

[@1:15:54](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4554.26) - **Cathileen**

Is there anything we can be praying for you about? Um... Right at the moment. Um, I mean, I do have a disconnect with one of my daughters That I could use prayer Other than that just feeling really grateful today I can't attend every meeting because I work some Saturdays, but all I tell them the ones that I can No problem.

[@1:16:20](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4580.9) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

were grateful when you can show up. I'll remind you too that um I post this so if you wanted to hear the beginning of it through you know that you missed You go out to the website I put it in the chat And you can look for the fake page focus Bible study page And the video and the recording and the transcripts will be out there as I mentioned and then anyone you miss past Future, you know, it should be out there as well.

Okay, so anybody else with prayer requests Okay, well, let's pray then Or jesus. I thank you for this lesson.

I thank you for reconciling us to yourself Lord, You love us so much You just could not leave us, and God, You proved it just in the precious blood that You shed for us, but in the daily pursuit of our hearts, in the daily pursuit of our spirits.

We thank You for Your Word, that it keeps chasing us, thank You for Your Word, that it keeps trying to impact us and teach us.

We thank You for what You revealed here today, that it would draw us closer to You. I thank You for all my friends who have joined Lord God, that each one of them have been impacted in the way You desire, Lord, God, all carry things, whether we've expressed them here today or not, and I just pray that You meet every need, whether expressed or unexpressed here today, God, thank You for Brian and his vulnerability and willing to share that things are a little out of kilter with his relationship with his brother, and we ask that You help them get reconciled, we ask that You give Brian wisdom and discernment in speaking to his brother, you give him opportunity, and that Lord that You would open

of the heart of his brother to receive positively what you need to speak into his life. I thank you for bringing reconciliation there.

thank you, God, that we have an opportunity to speak our voices in our election here. Lord, I'm grateful for whatever it is you do because you're in charge.

God, you know what we need, you know what we deserve, but you're a God of mercy. And I ask for your direction on this election, get people out to vote, stir those who won't vote to vote Lord God.

God, thank you for coordinating every activity in every state that the vote would be protected and safe, that people would not be threatened by going to vote Lord.

I lift up Israel that there would be peace in Israel Lord God, that there would be peace over Jerusalem to protect the innocent Lord, not only in Jerusalem, but in all of the Middle East God.

I pray for peace throughout the Middle East Lord God. that there would be a revival poured out that people would come to the recognition of who you are, of what you're all about Lord, and God that they would not be able to deny your presence.

I thank you for Luke for his willingness to express his need for his Father. God bless his Father, give him as much time as he needs to be completely right with those he's in relationship with God.

Make a way for Luke to be able to be there when it is time for him to make his heavenly journey.

I just pray God you give him comfort. I pray God you remove the pain and that you God give him peace.

Thank you God you are compassionate, loving, and merciful Savior. Thank you for coordinating all the activities, all the finances around this God in Jesus name.

I thank you for Kathleen and her willingness to join us today and I pray God that you would help their relationship with her daughter.

God that it's softener daughter's heart. That God they would start to be able to see eye to eye. heart-to-heart, Lord God.

Do you give them the right words, the right timing, right place to work these things out, God? Do you bless their finances and bless their health, God, that you would touch Kathleen from head to toe will give her energy and strength.

especially strengthened her kidneys, Lord God. God, remember any infection or any stones that have been affecting your God and just give her healing and health and let her know that you're healed a partner.

You feel the heat and warmth of the healing right now in Jesus' name. I thank you God again for all my friends, bless them in the next few weeks, keep them safe, provide for them as you need, as they desire in Jesus' name.

Amen. Well, thank you everyone. I pray you have a great couple of weeks and we'll you back here in two.

[@1:20:47](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4847.96) - **Luke**

God bless you all.

[@1:20:49](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4849.6) - **Rick Stephenson (wisdomwell.guru)**

Bye-bye.

[@1:20:50](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4850.26) - **Lee Anne Pietrus**

We love you. Thank you.

[@1:20:52](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4852.6) - **Laurie Nelson**

Thank You feel better Rick and bye Julie.

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Thank you.

[@1:20:55](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4855.9) - **Laurie Nelson**

Bye-bye.

[@1:20:56](https://fathom.video/share/sXzffQ9-dMKfr5hFJwzw_BsCxn-azYJr?timestamp=4856.76) - **Alicia**

Thank you, Rick.