

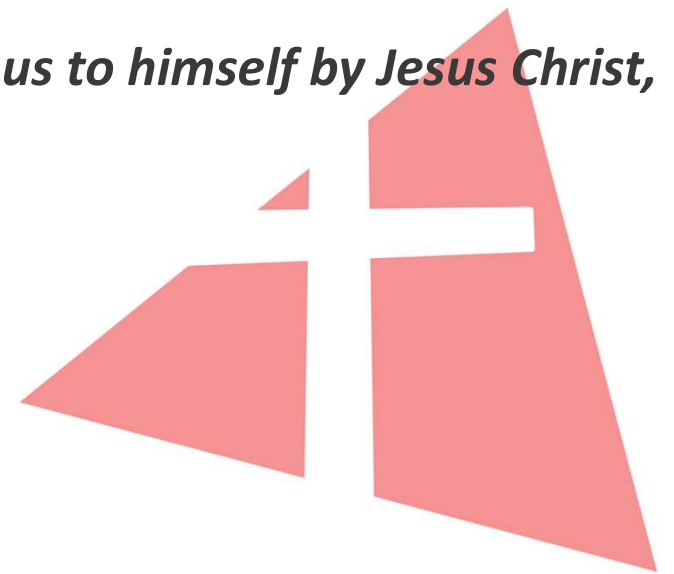
# Reconciliation in Christ

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# Reconciliation

*2 Corinthians 5:18 And all things are of God, who has reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation;*



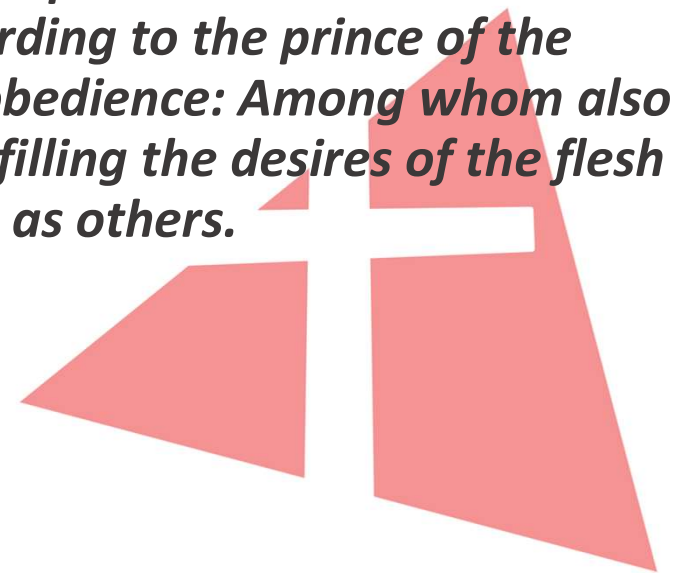
# Before Reconciliation

- **Before we can be reconciled, we have to be separated**



# We were enemies to God

*Ephesians 2:1-3 And you has he made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins: In which 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 works in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our behavior in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.*



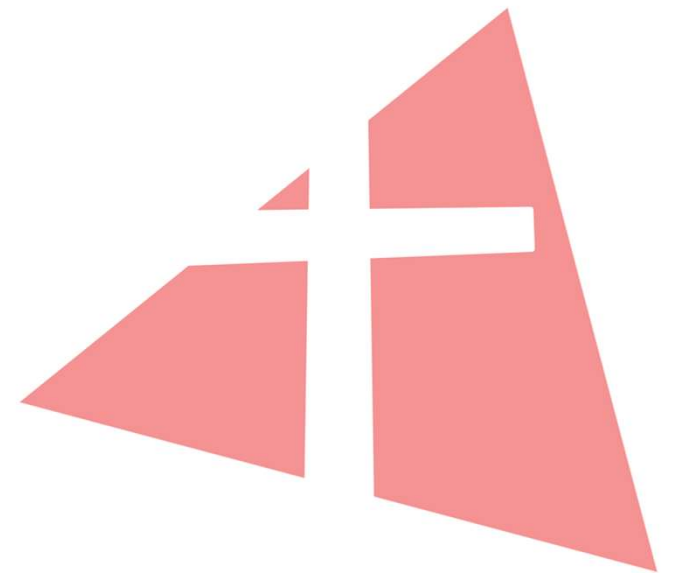
# Am I really that bad?

*Isaiah 64:6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.*



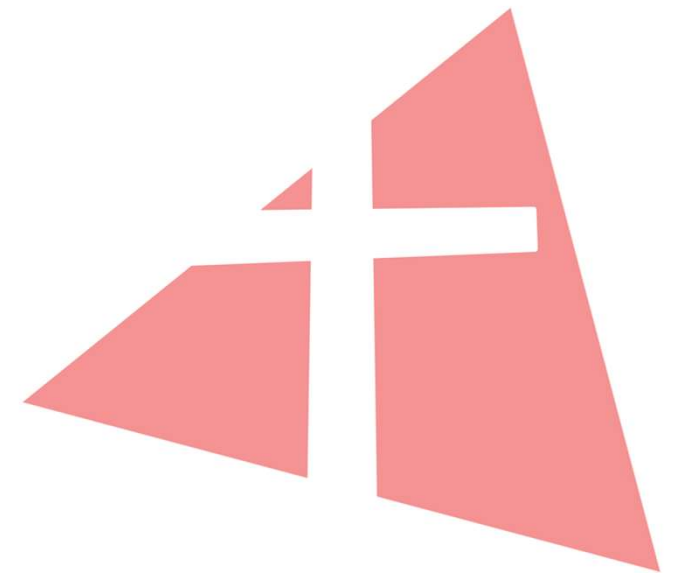
# We had no love for each other

- **There was murder in the first family on this earth**



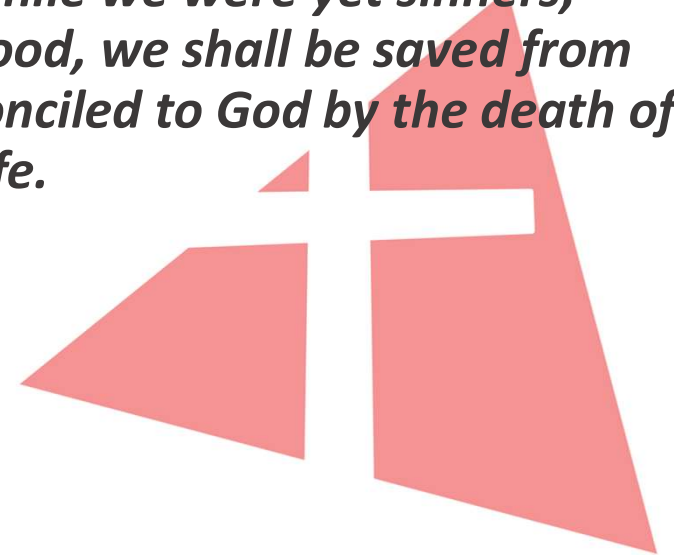
# The Power of the Cross

- **First we were separated**
  - From God
  - From each other
- **Then Jesus died and rose again**
- **Now we can receive reconciliation**
  - With God
  - With each other



# We are reconciled with God

*Romans 5:8-10 But God commends his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.*





# We are reconciled with God

- There's no striving in reconciliation

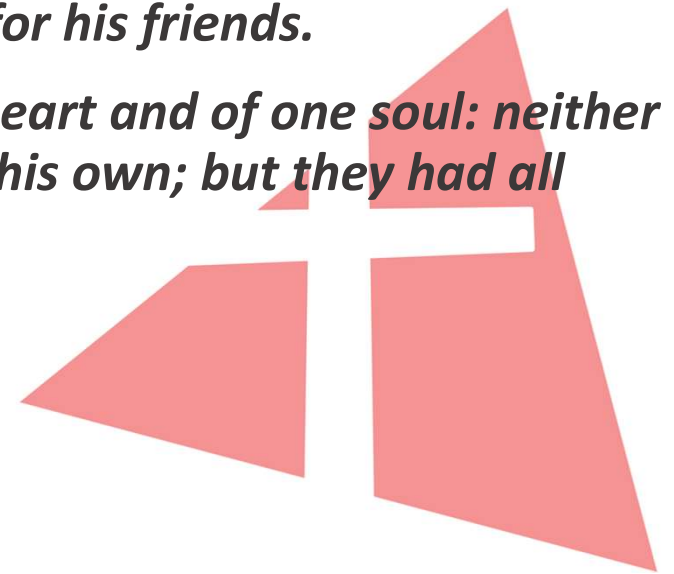
*Psalm 84:11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.*



# We can be reconciled with each other

*John 15:12-13 This is my commandment, That you love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

*Acts 4:32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that any of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.*



# My Testimony

- **Hatred towards my parents turned into love**



# Let's allow the Spirit to speak to us

- **Do we need a new revelation of our reconciliation with God?**
- **Does God want us to reconcile a relationship with another person?**

