

Oxford Baptist Church – Feb 18, 2024 – Robin W. Pifer
Colossians – “Be Reconciled to Jesus Christ” – Col 1:21-23

The Problem – Bad News | v21

- Why do you need to be reconciled to Jesus Christ?
- Alienated from God.
 - Child or Friend of God.
- Hostile in our minds to God. 2Cor 4:4
 - Mind of Christ. 1Cor 2:16; Heb 4:12 Romans 15:5
 - v. 20 - Phil 4:7
- Doing Evil Deeds. 1Cor 6:9-11
 - Living Righteously – Titus 2:12; 2 Peter 3:10-12

The Result – Great News – The Gospel | v20, 22

- What is the spiritual breakthrough we need?
- Why did Jesus die on the cross and rise from the dead?
- The Result – Great News – The Gospel
 - To present you Holy before Him.
 - To present you blameless before Him.
 - To present you above reproach before Him. .

The Way Forward | v23

- What is the proof of Transformation or Reconciliation with Jesus Christ? v. 23 PT.
- The Way Forward – Disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Continue in the faith. Phil 3:12-16
- Stable and Steadfast. 2Peter 1:12
- Not Shifting from the Hope of the Gospel. Eph 4:14-15
- Be a Minister of the Gospel. Peer Care/Peer Share. Eph 4:11-12.

Main Thought: The Way of Wisdom is being reconciled to Jesus Christ.

Questions for Personal and Group Study

1. What are the ways the world seeks wisdom?
2. Why do we need to be reconciled to Jesus Christ?
3. Take time to remember your before Christ (B.C.) life. What was it like? How has the Lord transformed you?
4. How does the gospel transform us from being alienated, hostile, and doing evil things toward God?
5. What are some of the results that happen when Christ transforms us? Look to the passage. For further study. 33 Things that Happen at the Moment of Salvation – www.Sonlife.com
6. What is the proof of Transformation in Jesus Christ?
7. Why is a changed life such an indicator of true Faith?
8. How does the fruit of the Spirit and walking in the Spirit indicate this transformation? Read Galatians 5
9. When are Christians unstable, insecure, and shifting in their beliefs?
10. Why is Paul's testimony of being a minister of the gospel important for us to understand in our personal lives?