



PART 2: *One* WITH OTHERS WEEK 6B: RECONCILIATION

WARM UP 1: Share some examples of different types of reconciliation.

WARM UP 2: Share some stories of when reconciliation has occurred.

1. Read Colossians 1:15-23. The Apostle Paul here describes the "gospel" in terms of cosmic reconciliation. Share some examples of things that will be reconciled (on earth and in heaven) by Jesus?

2. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-20.

- a. What does it mean to be reconciled to God? Have you been?
- b. What is "the message of reconciliation"? (in your own words)
- c. To be an ambassador is a high calling. How do you view yourself and your life differently to know that you are Christ's ambassador?

3. Read Matthew 18:15-22.

- a. Why is it important to go straight to the person first? In what situations might this not be the wise thing to do?
- b. If you go to step 2 and bring one or two others along, who would you choose? What is (and isn't) their role?
- c. Verses 17-20 talk about the role of the whole church. Why are unconfessed sin & unreconciled relationships so important that the whole church should get involved? How might this work practically?

4. Is there anyone you need to seek reconciliation with today?

PASS IT ON: Who in your life needs to hear this truth?