

Adult Impact Study Sheet

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If possible, read **2 Corinthians 5:14-21** from several translations.
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1. What does Paul mean when he writes, “For Christ’s love compels us”?
2. Verse 15 says, “[Christ] died for all.” Does that mean only the elect or all? (See 1 Timothy 2:6, 1 John 2:2)
3. Verse 15 says that “those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for him who died for them and was raised again.” In what ways might we live for ourselves instead of living for Christ?

Consider the saying, “Christ died our death for us that we might live His life for Him.”

4. As believers, have we been reformed, rehabilitated, reeducated, or recreated? Explain your answer.
5. What does Paul mean when he speaks of regarding a person from a worldly point of view (v. 16)? How did he, as Saul, regard Christ in that way? (See 2 Cor. 1:12)
6. “He speaks, and, listening to His voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.¹” Discuss this in light of verse 17.

Discuss what happens when a person puts their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. (See Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 8:1; 1 Cor. 1:30, 15:22; Heb 10:10,14)

7. Does man need to be reconciled to God, or does God need to be reconciled to man, or both? Explain your answer.
8. What does it mean that the believer has “the ministry of reconciliation”?

¹ Charles Wesley, *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*, verse 11 of the original 17-verse lyrics

Next week: Matthew 6:19-24