

SERMON NOTES



LIVE AS A NEW CREATION
2 CORINTHIANS 5:16-21 | SEPTEMBER 17, 2017
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Intro:

1. If you are in Christ, you are a new creation. _____ it. (16-17)

2. We are ambassadors for Christ. _____ your role and call others to this glorious privilege. (18-21)

Conclusion:

WEEKLY READING PLAN:

- Monday, September 18 // Isaiah 43:1-13**
Called by name
- Tuesday, September 19 // Isaiah 43:14-28**
He makes all things new
- Wednesday, September 20 // Psalm 51:1-19**
I will teach transgressors Your ways
- Thursday, September 21 // Romans 4:13-25**
We become the righteousness of God
- Friday, September 22 // Romans 5:1-11**
We have received reconciliation

WEEKLY EVENTS:

- *A full schedule is available on the final page of this bulletin.*
- AWANA (Pre-K - 4th)**
- This week's theme is CRAZY HAIR NIGHT
- FUSE (5th-6th) / FUEL (7th-8th)**
- Next meeting is September 20
- IGNITE (9th-12th)**
- Next meeting is September 17
- RESONATE (18-22)**
- Next meeting is September 21
Upcoming: Starved Rock road trip Sept 30
- AMPLIFY (23-30+)**
- Next meeting is September 28

Opening: Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. From the passage/sermon, what truths impacted you the most?

1. What do you learn about the old self vs. the new self from the following passages?

a. Romans 6:6-14

b. Ephesians 2:1-10

c. Ephesians 4:17-24

d. Colossians 3:1-4

2. How does a proper understanding of our being a new creation affect the way we view our sin? How should it affect our understanding of sanctification?

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

3. When we think about the old vs. the new, there is an idea of “put off” and “put on”. From the following passages, what should we put off and put on?

a. Ephesians 4:25-32

b. Colossians 3:5-17

4. How would you summarize the “message of reconciliation” to someone who doesn’t know Christ? How can your own testimony be a part of this message?

LIFE APPLICATION

We are called to have the “ministry of reconciliation” and to share the “message of reconciliation”. What keeps you from fulfilling this role God has called us to? How can you better be an ambassador for Him?