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Richard defined reconciliation last week:

Reconciliation means to make something right after something wrong has occurred.

Reconciliation is required because a valuable thing was broken because of someone's actions

Matthew 7:13-14

¹³ "Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. ¹⁴ For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

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Matthew 7:21-23

²¹ "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?'

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Matthew 7:21-23

²³ And then will I declare to them, <u>'I never</u> <u>knew you; depart from me, you workers of</u> lawlessness.'

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Matthew 7:15-20

15 "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.
16 You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? 17 So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit.

Matthew 7:15-20

¹⁸ A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ Thus you will recognize them by their fruits.

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Colossians 1:21

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,

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Reconciliation: Accomplished and Applied

1. Gravity of previous condition without reconciliation (v.21)

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3 Descriptions of Our Previous Condition

A. Alienated (v.21)

Romans 8:7

For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed it cannot.

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3 Descriptions of Our Previous Condition

- A. Alienated (v.21)
- B. Hostile in mind (v.21)

Romans 1:21-24

For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools,

13 Romans 1:21

Romans 1:21-24

and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things. Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves,

14 Romans 1:23

3 Descriptions of Our Previous Condition

- A. Alienated (v.21)
- B. Hostile in mind (v.21)
- C. Doing evil deeds (v.21)

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Colossians 1:22

He has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,

Reconciliation: Accomplished and Applied

- 1. Gravity of Previous Condition Without Reconciliation (v.21)
- 2. Glorious Work of Christ In Reconciliation. (v. 22, 20)

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2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God

3 Descriptions of Our Current Condition

- A. To present you Holy (v. 22)
- B. To present you blameless (v. 22)
- C. To present you above reproach before Him. (v. 22)

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Colossians 1:23

if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Reconciliation: Accomplished and Applied

- Gravity of Previous Condition Without Reconciliation (v.21)
- 2. Glorious Work of Christ In Reconciliation. (v. 22, 20)
- 3. Genuine Perseverance Necessary Because of Reconciliation. (v. 23)

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2 Descriptions of Perseverance

A. You continue in the faith (v. 23)

Jude 1:3

Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.

23 Jude 1:3

1 John 2:19

They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us.

24 1 John 2:19

Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

25 Hebrews 12:1-2

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looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

26 Hebrews 12:2

2 Timothy 4:6-7

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

27 Group 2 Timothy 4:6

2 Descriptions of Perseverance

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- B. Not shifting from the hope of the gospel (v. 23)