

# Worship Guide: May 31, 2020

Colossians 1:21-23 *"Hostile Enemies Reconciled"*

## Introduction: (Verses 21-23)

*"We are continually being made in the image of Christ, having our sin exposed."*

*"And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, 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, 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." Colossians 1:21-23 (ESV)*

We were \_\_\_\_\_ of God. (Verse 21)

1. In position- We were alienated.
2. In thought- We were enemies of God.
3. In conduct- We were evil.

**We must not minimize our doctrine.**

We are \_\_\_\_\_ servants. (Verse 22-23)

1. In position- We are reconciled to God. (Verse 22)
  - Holy-
  - Blameless-
  - Free from accusation-
2. In thought- We hold to our faith and hope. (Verse 23)
3. In conduct- We serve the Gospel. (Verse 23)

**We are hostile enemies reconciled to God with the privilege of serving Him.**

## Application:

We will:

1. Know our identity in Christ.
2. Model our thoughts around that identity.
3. Conduct ourselves according to our identity.

## Activities for Kids

1) Draw a picture showing how dirty your sin is and how clean God makes you in Christ.

2) Write a thank you note to Jesus for what He has done for you.

3) Think of one thing you will do to show Jesus how much you love Him this week.

## NOTES

# Questions for Families, Couples, and Friends

Colossians 1:21-23

1. **(Reflection)** What about the impact of sin in our world and in your life is most impactful to you today?
2. **(Reflection)** As you consider your thinking, what is God revealing to you that you disagree with Him?
3. **(Depravity)** How would you explain to a child the depth of our sin and the consequences it has in our life and eternity?
4. **(Reconciliation)** To what extent have you been reconciled to God through faith in Christ? What aspects of your life now and in the past are impacted by Christ's work of reconciliation in your life?
5. **(Reconciliation)** How would you explain to a non-believer the reality of our sin and reconciliation in Christ? Who do you know that needs to hear this message?