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AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST

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- PAUL IS NOT REFERRING TO A JUDGMENT OF CONDEMNATION, BUT A JUDGMENT OF EVALUATION.



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- KNOWING THAT WE WILL STAND BEFORE GOD AND GIVE AN ACCOUNT SHOULD CHANGE HOW WE LIVE NOW.
- ARE YOUR AMBITIONS, POSSESSIONS, SCHEDULES, AND SPENDING HABITS RADICALLY DIFFERENT THAN OTHERS BECAUSE YOU KNOW THAT YOU WILL GIVE AN ACCOUNT?



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- THE DEEPEST MOTIVATION FOR US IS THE LOVE OF CHRIST.



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- CHRIST’S LOVE DOESN’T GUILT US OR BEAT US DOWN, IT COMPELS US TO ACTION.





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- THE LOVE OF CHRIST CANNOT JUST BE A THEORETICAL IDEA, IT MUST BE SO REAL IT DRIVES US TO ACTION.
- OUR UNION WITH CHRIST FREES US FROM LIVING FOR SELF.





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- I NEED TO CHERISH THE GOSPEL AS GOOD NEWS BEFORE I CAN SHARE IT AS GOOD NEWS.



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- **GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF BY BEARING THE FULL COST OF OUR REBELLION.**



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- GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF BY BEARING THE FULL COST OF OUR REBELLION.
- RECONCILIATION IS NOT SOMETHING WE DO, BUT WHAT GOD DOES.



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- WE ARE AMBASSADORS — BOTH MESSENGERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF GOD.
- WE HAVE THE MESSAGE AND MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION — WE PURSUE PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW JESUS AND SHARE HIS GOOD NEWS.



II. MISSION OF AMBASSADORS

1 THESSALONIANS 2:8

WE LOVED YOU SO MUCH THAT WE WERE DELIGHTED TO SHARE WITH YOU NOT ONLY THE GOSPEL OF GOD BUT OUR LIVES AS WELL, BECAUSE YOU HAD BECOME SO DEAR TO US. (NIV)



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- THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION INVOLVES SHARING THE GOSPEL AND OUR LIVES WITH PEOPLE.
- THIS IS WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A MISSIONARY. EVERY CHRISTIAN IS A MISSIONARY!



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- AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST PRAY FOR FRIENDS WHO NEED CHRIST.



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- WHO ARE YOU PRAYING FOR WHO NEEDS CHRIST?



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- **AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST LOVE PEOPLE IN SUCH A WAY THAT SHOWS THEM CHRIST.**



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- **AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST LOVE PEOPLE IN SUCH A WAY THAT SHOWS THEM CHRIST.**
- **ARE YOU INVESTING IN THE LIVES OF YOUR CO-WORKERS, NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS?**



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- AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST SHARE THEIR STORY AND THE GOSPEL.



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- **AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST SHARE THEIR STORY AND THE GOSPEL.**
- **DO YOU BELIEVE GOD IS MAKING HIS APPEAL TO OTHERS THROUGH YOU?**

