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**THE WARNING – The Road is Narrow**

* + Matt 7:13-14, Luke 13:23-25, Isaiah 35:8
	+ Matt 7:21-23, Luke 13:26-28
	+ Luke 6:46, John 14:23-24, Matt 23:28,

 James 4:4, 1 John 3:8-10

* + 1 John 1:9, Heb 4:16

**Being reconciled to God -
Important points to know!**

* God loves you and wants you and all people to be saved- John 3:16, 1 Tim 2:4, Ezekiel 33:11, Matt 18:11
* God has a plan for your life – Jer 29:11
* God sent His Son to make your life safe and sound – John 3:17
* Man is separated from God because he has chosen his own way – Rom 3:23, Isa 53:6
* Man can know God and His plan if he will repent and follow God through His Word –

 1 John 1:9, Acts 3:19, John 1:12

**Who has God called to administer the ministry of reconciliation?**

* Romans 10:14
* 2 Cor 2:15-17
* Matt 28:18-20

**Being reconciled to God - What do I NEED TO DO?**

* Acknowledge your sin and that you are separated from God – that you have been running your own life. Prov 14:12, 1 John 1:9
* Repent for your sin and turn to God accepting Jesus Christ, making a commitment to follow Him. Acts 3:19, Rom 10:9-10
	+ Rom 3:23 – All have sinned and fallen short of God’s plan
	+ Rom 6:23 – The wages of sin is death, but the GIFT of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus
	+ John 3:16-17 – God sent His Son so that you could be born again and your life would be made safe and sound and spend eternity with Him
	+ Rev 3:20 – He stands at the door knocking for ALL people to respond -John 16:8, 1 Tim 2:4, Ezekiel 33:11
	+ Romans 10:9-10 – Accept Jesus as Savior and Lord of your life.
	+ John 1:12 – You have become a child of God

**What do I NEED TO DO NOW after being Reconciled?**

* Ask the Father to baptize with the other HELPER - the Holy Spirit, John 14:16-17, Luke 11:13, Acts 1:8, 5:32, John 16:13
* Submit to God Daily, James 4:7-10, Luke 9:23
* Get in the Word Daily and Obey what you read and the Holy Spirit teaches you, John 17:17, Eph 5:25-27, Matt 6:33, 4:4, John 14:6, 21, John 14:26, Prov 8:34
* Pray Daily, Phil 4:6-7, Jer 33:3, Luke 18:1-8
* Memorize key foundational scriptures: John 3:16-17, 1 John 1:9, 1 John 5:14-15, 2 Cor 1:20, Isaiah 55:8-11, G
* Study the Word of God to know more about His Plan for your life: Topics like, Holiness, Health, Finances, etc…, 2 Tim 2:15, 3:16-17
* Become a part of a body of Believers, Heb 10:24-25, 1 Cor 14:12, 26-39, Eph 4:11-12
* Do His Word and Be led by His Spirit, John 14:21, Rom 8:14

**What does it require to administer the ministry of reconciliation?**

* Rom 1:16, Heb 4:12, Isa 10:27
* Matt 5:16, Phil 2:14-16, Gal 5:22-24
* Matt 5:9, Heb 12:14,

Due to Adam’s disobedience, addressed in Genesis 3, man was separated from God. The Word tells us in John 3:16 that God wanted man to be restored into a right relationship with Him. Therefore, He sent His son to become a sacrifice for our sin and show us the way to God. John 3:17 tells us “the why”, He wanted our lives to be made safe and sound, (delivered, healed, set free from the enemy). In 1 John 3:8, it says that Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil. John 1:12, says that as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become the sons/daughters of God. In 2 Cor 5:17-21, it says if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:The old has gone, the new is here! **18**All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: **19**that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. **20**We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. **21**God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As you can see from verse 19 that God has committed to us this ministry of reconciliation. That means telling people about who He is and what He has done on our life. This command to “go tell” or “reconcile” the world to God is also found in Matt 28:16-20, [Mark 16:14–18](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Bible_%28King_James%29/Mark#16:14), [Luke 24:44–49](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Bible_%28King_James%29/Luke#24:44), [Acts 1:4–8](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Bible_%28King_James%29/Acts#1:4), and [John 20:19-23](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/Bible_%28King_James%29/John#20:19)

**The Ministry of Reconciliation**