



# Scripture

**II Corinthians 5:17-21**

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# The Beauty of the King Who Reconciles

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# **I. Three Changes**

## **A. We are Changed**

## **Jeremiah 31:31-34 -**

Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people...For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

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## **A. We are Changed**

### **II Corinthians 3:6 -**

“The letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.”

# **I. Three Changes**

## **B. We Should Change**

### **Isaiah 43:18-19 -**

Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

# **I. Three Changes**

## **B. We Should Change**

### **Ephesians 2:10 -**

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

# **I. Three Changes**

## **C. We Will be Changed**



## **Revelation 21:1-5-**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.” And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.”

## **II. Two Implications**

### **A. We are Reconciled**

#### **Romans 1:18 -**

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

“To reconcile means to bring together again persons who had previously fallen out; to replace alienation, hostility and opposition by a new relationship of favour, goodwill and peace; and to so transform the attitude of persons reconciled towards each other and to set their subsequent mutual dealings on a whole new footing.”

**~J.I. Packer**

## **II. Two Implications**

### **B. We are Reconcilers**

## **III. One Substitute**

### **A. Christ Became Sin**

#### **Galatians 3:13 -**

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree.”

# **III. One Substitute**

## **B. We Became Righteous**