



MOVING FORWARD

LOVING A BROKEN WORLD LIKE JESUS

1. WE GET A NEW PERSPECTIVE

2 Corinthians 5:16-17

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.^[b] The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

1 Corinthians 7:31 “For the present form of this world is passing away.”

2. SENT ON A MISSION OF RECONCILIATION

2 Corinthians 5:18-19

¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling^[c] the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

3. REPRESENTING JESUS AND HIS KINGDOM

2 Corinthians 5:20

²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Matthew 6:33 “But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

Ephesians 6:19-20

“Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.”

4. Because of the Cross

2 Corinthians 5:21

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.

Isaiah 53:6 (KJV)

“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.”