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Ambassador Songs



Ambassador Song

Ambassador

- Ambassador
  - A person who represents his country of origin, in place of the president or leader protecting the country's interest.
  - An ambassador does not represent themselves; they are commissioned and sent by a higher authority from another kingdom.
- Ambassador in the Bible
  - When ambassadors arrived from Babylon to ask about the remarkable events that had taken place in the land, God withdrew from Hezekiah in order to test him and to see what was really in his heart (2 Chronicles 32:31, NLT).
  - 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 (Ephesians 6:19-20).
  - 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 (2 Corinthians 5:20).

Jesus: the Ultimate Ambassador

- Sent directly from the Heavenly realm to earth
  - For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him (John 3:17).
  - Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you (John 20:21).
- Speaks with the absolute authority and words of the sender
  - For I did not speak on my own, but the Father who sent me commanded me to say all that I have spoken (John 12:49).
  - Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me (John 14:10).
- The perfect image and character of the King
  - He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation (Colossians 1:15).
  - He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature (Hebrews 1:3).
- Entrusted with a treaty of peace and reconciliation
  - For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross (Colossians 1:19-20).

Ambassadors in the Bible (examples)

- Moses
  - This is how you will know that the LORD has sent me to do all these things (Numbers 16:28).
- Isaiah
  - And now the Sovereign LORD has sent me, endowed with his Spirit (Isaiah 48:16).
- Jeremiah
  - And though the LORD has sent all his servants the prophets to you again and again, you have not listened or paid any attention (Jeremiah 25:4).
- John the Baptist
  - There was a man sent from God whose name was John (John 1:6).
- Jesus
  - For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him mighty might be saved (John 3:17).

Ambassadors on Earth

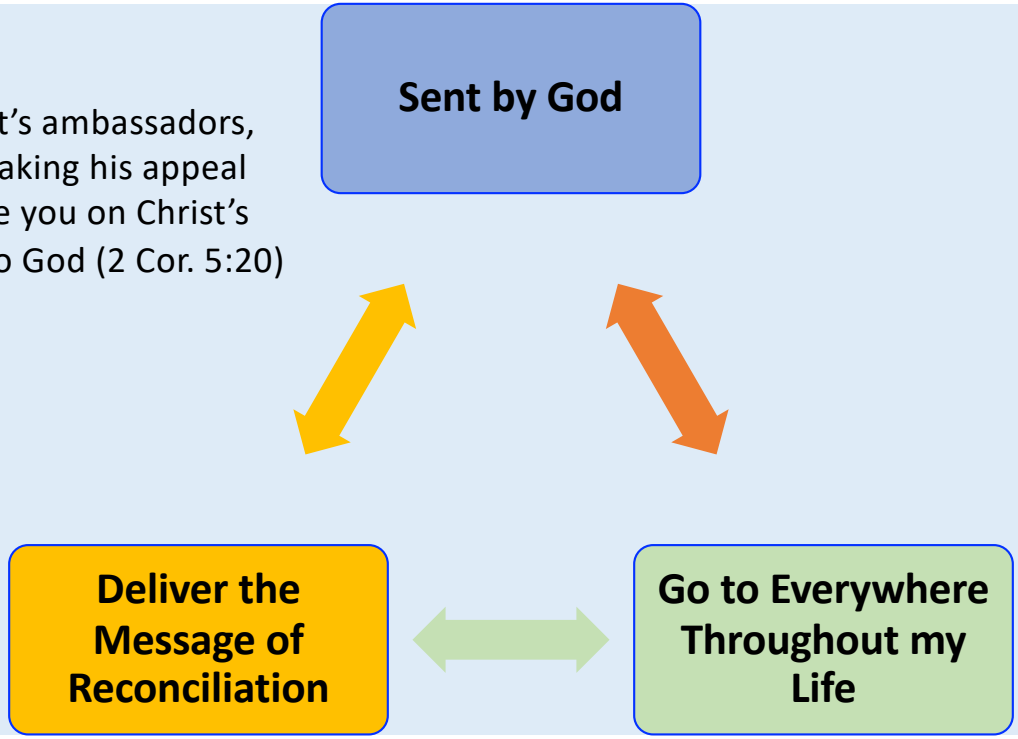
- All believers are ambassadors for Christ
  - Believers represent the values and authority of God's kingdom while living in the world.
- Dual citizenship
  - Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (Philippians 3:20).
  - You are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God’s people and also members of his household (Ephesians 2:19).
  - I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul (1 Peter 2:11).
- Ambassadors on earth
  - Ambassadors are citizens of the heavenly country although living temporarily as citizens of an earthly country. They are like foreigners or expatriates in another country.
  - Ambassadors are called to live by heavenly principles, values, and laws, representing God's Kingdom on Earth.
  - This identity provides hope, purpose, and an eternal focus, transcending earthly troubles and limitations.

Why God Chose Us as His Ambassadors?

- To deliver God's offer of reconciliation
  - According to Scripture, humanity became alienated from God through sin. God sent His Son to make peace through the cross, and He now sends believers into the world to deliver that message.
- To serve as citizens and representatives of a heavenly kingdom
  - An ambassador does not belong to the nation in which they are stationed; they represent a home government.
- To embody and model the new creation
  - Ambassadors are needed to show the world what transformed living looks like—demonstrating through love, forgiveness, humility, and integrity that God's kingdom is real and life-changing.
- To exercise delegated authority on earth
  - An ambassador speaks not on their own authority, but with the delegated authority of the ruler who sent them.
  - Believers are needed on Earth to carry out the King's work—building up communities, serving the poor, teaching truth, and sharing hope.

God's Ambassador Model

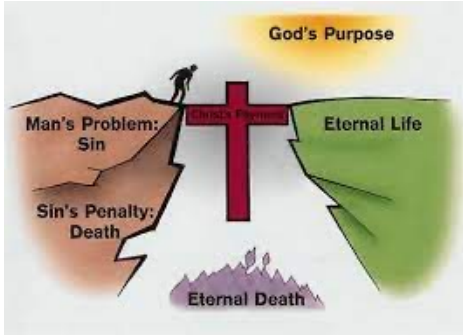
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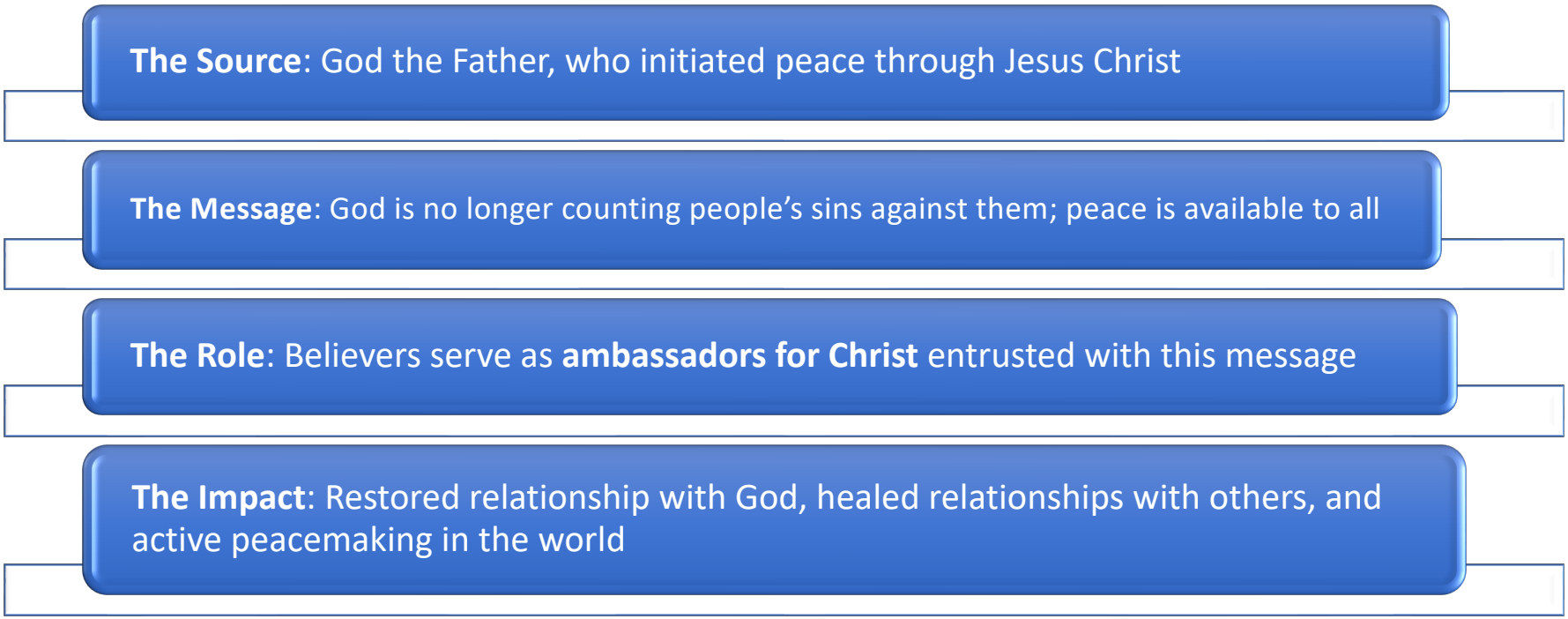
Where does Christ's Ambassador serve?

- Everywhere God sent
  - Everywhere we presently are. Paul was an ambassador, even when he was in prison.
  - I am an ambassador in chains (Ephesians 6:19-20).
- A Messenger must have a divine call, so these people had definite divine calls.
  - God to **Abraham**: Go from your country...the land I will show you (Genesis 12:1).
  - God to **Moses**: So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh... (Exodus 3:10).
  - God to **Isaiah**: "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!" (Isaiah 6:8).
  - God to **Paul**: Now get up and stand on your feet...You as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me (Acts 26: 16).
  - Jesus to you: Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age. (Matthew 28: 19-20).

The Ministry of Reconciliation



- God's initiative to restore the broken relationship between humans and God
  - All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: 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 (2 Corinthians 5:18-19).
- What the ministry of reconciliation means?
  - Reconciliation means taking two parties who are at enmity or alienated from each other and bringing them into peace and harmony.
  - It is God's initiative. Humanity could not bridge the gap caused by sin, so God took the initiative.
  - Once a person experiences reconciliation with God, they are given a new identity and a specific responsibility: **the ministry of reconciliation**.


The Source: God the Father, who initiated peace through Jesus Christ
The Message: God is no longer counting people's sins against them; peace is available to all
The Role: Believers serve as **ambassadors for Christ** entrusted with this message
The Impact: Restored relationship with God, healed relationships with others, and active peacemaking in the world

Questions

- Whom do you represent? Christ or you? Are you commissioned to represent God? Are you living for your own self-interests, or living for Him?
- Am I really able to be an ambassador for God? What does it mean to react as an ambassador for God?
- How do I equip with qualifications to be an effective God's ambassador?