SERMON NOTES

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The Ministry of Reconciliation

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (NIV)

 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

1. Believers Are Salt and Light

- Matthew 5:13-16 (NIV)
 - We are called to preserve, influence, and reflect the light of Christ in a dark world.
- Colossians 4:5-6 (NIV)
 - Let your conversations be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

2. We Are Not God

- Acts 14:14-15 (NIV)
 - Like Paul and Barnabas, remember that we point people to Jesus, not ourselves.

3. Be Loving

- 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 (NIV)
 - Do everything in love.

4. Be Prepared and Able to Give Reasons for Your Faith

- 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)
 - Know what you believe and why.

5. Be Gentle and Respectful

- 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)
- 2 Timothy 2:24 (NIV)
 - The Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful.

6. Be Gracious with Your Speech

- Colossians 4:5-6 (NIV)
 - Let your words reflect wisdom, grace, and Christlike character.

7. Be Patient

- 2 Timothy 2:24 (NKJV)
 - A servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient.

8. Be Humble

- 2 Timothy 2:25–26 (NKJV)
 - Correction must come from humility, not pride.

9. Be Discerning

- Ecclesiastes 3:7 (NIV)
 - Effective ambassadors are led by the Holy Spirit, not emotion.