

Colossians 1:21-23

Series: Colossians: Maturing as a Jesus-Follower
“The Severity of Sin & the Tenacity of Grace”

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Introduction:

What don't pastors do nearly as much anymore? Why not?

What is the result of “over-preaching” sin?

What is the result of “under-preaching” sin?

The Severity of Sin:

What are the two *distancing* words in v. 21 that Paul uses to describe sin's effect on us?

1) _____

2) _____

What is the connection between our *mind* and our *behavior* when it comes to sin?

The Tenacity of Grace:

What's the significance Paul is trying to accomplish in his use of “once” and “now” in vv. 21 and 22?

What is God's purpose in *reconciliation*?

What do we mean by the *new humanity*?

The Warning:

Paul's “conditional clause” (the big “if” in v. 23) challenges us to take our sin seriously. We can do this by . . .

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____ at all costs

4) utilizing the power of the _____

“Recalling and confessing our sin
is like taking out the garbage: once is not enough.”

- Cornelius Plantinga Jr. -