

**Sermon Discussion Questions**  
**Ambassadors for Christ: Week 1**  
**2 Corinthians 5**

*Here are some questions to discuss as you think about the message from **2 Corinthians 5**. Also consider 1 Peter 3:8-18 and John 17.*

1. What does it mean to be an “ambassador”?
  - How is a being an ambassador different from being a warrior, a traitor, a spy, or a mercenary?
  - Which one of these best describes you?
  
2. What does it mean to be “in Christ”?
  - How does being “in Christ” define who you are and who you are not?
  - What does it mean to be “fluent” in the language of the Kingdom?
  - What is it that “controls” you?
  
3. What is our assignment as ambassadors?
  - What is our purpose? What is our motivating force?
  - Where have we been “sent”?
  - Why do we need to learn the “language” of our culture?
  - How are the values of the “world” different from those of God’s Kingdom?
  - How would you define your personal assignment? What word best describes your attitude toward your assignment?
    - FEAR
    - EXCITEMENT
    - CONFUSION
    - OPPORTUNITY
    - APATHY
    - CONFIDENCE
    - CHALLENGING
    - UNPREPARED
  
4. How should we live as ambassadors?
  - Read 1 Peter 3:8-18. What should be our attitude and approach to those who are opposed to the Gospel?
  - Think about the values of WISDOM, COURAGE, and COMPASSION. How do those fit together for an ambassador?
  
5. How have you been personally comforted, convicted, or challenged? Think about the message, your own reflections on God’s Word, the work of the Holy Spirit, other people, and your experiences. What do you need from your small group or a trusted friend to help you process how God might be working in and through you?

**Prayer**

*Father, thank you for loving me and giving me a new identity. Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to remind me that I am your child. Help me to learn to follow you more closely, Jesus. May your love control me and compel me to be your ambassador. Forgive me for my apathy and my arrogance. Give me an imagination to see more clearly the assignment you have given me. Help me to understand and love those who see life differently than me. Show me the next right thing to do.*