

RECONCILIATION REQUIRES A SINLESS MAN - 2 Cor 5:21

INTRODUCTION

1. Chls Hodge: "There is probably no passage in the Script in wh/ the doct of justification is more concisely or clearly stated than in this." 2 C 5:21 We are stewards of doct of justif = content of *word of reconcil* [v19]. All that we've considered since v14 comes to a climax in v21.
2. *Him who knew no sin.* Jesus' "active obedience" in His righteous life & His "passive obedience" in His sacrificial death - *knew no sin*.

1st: Reconciliation Requires a Sinless Man:

1. Rm5:12 in Adam we all sinned: legal - original sin & total depravity.
2. Rm 5:14b Adam = *type* of Jesus = last Adam, head of race of res'd men. We are justified on the basis of His obedience - Rm5:19
3. Sin & death came by one man, so too reconciliation came by *one Man* [v15].
He [God] *made HIM who knew no sin* - the one Man
4. Like Adam, Jesus has a unique position: Head of a new human race.
5. His Birth: born w/o total depravity, conceived by HS. Lk 1:35
6. His Life: lived a sinless life: sinless in motive, thot, word or deed
 - i. At 12 - Lk 2:51-52.
 - ii. At 30 - baptized; transfigured - Jn 8:29; 46a
 - iii. Testimony of Pilate - Lk 23:4,14,15 & 22.
 - iv. Hb 4:15; 7:26
 - v. 1 Pt 2:22 - cites Isa 53:9

vi. 1 Jn 3:5

7. Here is a man - perfect, sinless. What is the value of a man w/o sin?
8. What is He doing here? Come for our salvation. 2C5:21.