

Come to Christ for Reconciliation  
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Ephesians 2:11-16

Admit The Need for Reconciliation. v. 11-12

When one is without God.

When one is without God's covenant.

When one is without hope.

Ask Christ to Reconcile Me With Himself. V. 13

For it was the Father's good pleasure for all fullness to dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven. And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds, yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach. Colossians 1:19-22 NASB

If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to one's work, conduct yourselves with fear during the time of your stay on earth; knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver and gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. 1 Peter 1:17-19 NASB

Look to Christ for The Peace Found In Reconciliation.  
v. 14

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in the hope of the glory of God. Romans 5:1-2 NASB

Ask Christ to Remove The Barriers to Reconciliation.  
v. 14-15

Now may the God who gives perseverance and encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus, so that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God. Romans 15:5-7 NASB

Be Reconciled to Others Through Christ. v. 16

“Therefore if you are presenting your offering at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and present your offering.”  
Matthew 5:23-24 NASB

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:17-19 NKJV