



# DISCUSSION

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17–21.

Is becoming a “new creation in Christ” a one-time event? A process? Or both? (v. 17)

- What areas of your life are in need of becoming “new” today? Who can hold you accountable to make sure they “remain new”?
- Share your story of when/how you 1<sup>st</sup> became a “new creation” in Christ.

Four Truths about mission:

## 1. God – the nature of mission (v. 19)

- Since God is the nature of the mission – how/why does Gen. 1:1, John 6:29, and John 6:44 re-enforce that? What other foundational scriptures support this?

## 2. Reconciliation – the goal of mission

“Reconcile”:

1. To restore to friendship or harmony
2. To settle or resolve an issue

- How do the following verses speak to reconciliation? Luke 9:48, Mark 9:35, and Romans 12:10
- Read Matthew 5:38–42: How does the Roman “2<sup>nd</sup> Mile Law” speak into reconciliation. What does practicing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mile Law look like in your life in 2019?

## 3. World – the extent of mission

- What is the 10/40 window? What is wrong with the 10/40 window? (hint: read John 3:16)
- Read Acts 1:8. Where is “your Jerusalem”? How are you doing in sharing the Gospel there? Why does sharing the Gospel need to start in our own Jerusalem(s)? Name five people in “your Jerusalem” that you can pray for and have a spiritual conversation with this week.

## 4. Entrusting – the means of mission

- You are either a mission field or a missionary. Where do you fit in that statement? Where are you involved at church to support the mission of the church? Who are you praying for, daily, that doesn’t know the Lord? How many spiritual conversations have you had this past week with non-Christ followers, how can your group help you lean into that more?

Apply:

1. Memorize 2 Corinthians 5: 18–19.
2. Who has God put on your heart to reconcile with this week?
3. How can you “make Christ be made known” to those in your Jerusalem?