**COLOSSIANS: THE PREEMINENCE OF CHRIST IN HIS CHURCH**

Colossians 1:20-23

1) Define reconciliation.

2) In verse 20, who is the “him” and the “himself?”

3) How do we find reconciliation with God?

4) According to verse 20, what is the extent of the ramifications of sin?

5) What seemingly outrageous truth do we see when we compare verses 15-18 and verses 20-22?

6) What does it mean that we were alienated? (Ephesians 2:11-12, 4:18)

7) What other descriptions are given about the natural person?

8) What is a hostile mind?

9) How would you define “evil deeds?”

10) What three terms are used to describe the church in verse 22?

11) Define these terms.

12) According to verse 23, what must be true of a person’s life if they are to be truly reconciled?

13) Of what is Paul a minister to?

14) [personal] Is there an obvious difference in my life before and after I have been reconciled to God?

15) Would you describe yourself as a minister of the gospel? If not, how can Colossians 1:15-23 help?