

Sunday AM Sermon – March 28, 2021

# Family Roots: Reconciliation

Genesis 45:1-11

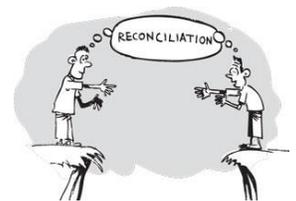


In the Old West, when there was a dispute, they often settled things with a showdown using guns. Today, social media weapons are more often employed, but neither fits God's plan. God's plan is reconciliation.



1. Mark the number of times you hear these words:  
Reconciliation –  
Ambassador(s) –  
Joseph –

2. What does it mean to be an ambassador of reconciliation?
3. What is reconciliation?
4. What did Joseph do to make reconciliation with his brothers possible?
5. Step one: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
6. Step two: Be \_\_\_\_\_
7. Step three: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
8. In what way is reconciliation more than an exchange of nice words?
9. Step four: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Step five: \_\_\_\_\_
11. Step six: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
12. Step seven: \_\_\_\_\_
13. What should you do when someone resists reconciliation?
14. How can a refusal to reconcile injure the gospel?
15. In what ways is reconciliation about faith?



## Faith Talk, Faith Walk

*Spend time with family or friends (maybe over a meal or during a family devotional) discussing the following related to the sermon*

**Faith Talk:** Which of the seven steps did you most need to hear? Why?

**Faith Walk:** If there is unresolved relational problems in your life, take the initiative and reconcile.

*If you are here and have been touched or convicted by something said or done today we would love to study the Bible with you and introduce you more fully to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Just call the church office at 795-4377 and we will set something up. God bless you!*

Next Sunday AM Sermon – Jesus is Alive – So What? (1 Corinthians 15:3-6)

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### ***Discussion Starter Questions***

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1. Jesus has given us the ministry of reconciliation. What are some examples reconciliation that you are aware of?
2. In what ways does reconciliation bring glory to God and Jesus Christ?
3. Joseph offered forgiveness to his brothers, the critical action that makes reconciliation possible. Why is forgiveness necessary to reconciliation?
4. If you are hoping for reconciliation, what would you talk to God about?
5. Of the steps toward reconciliation, which one seems most challenging to you and why?
6. What inspires you about the reconciliation in Rwanda?
7. Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection (the gospel) reconciles people to God. How do reconciliations in our relationships with one another preach the gospel?