

Be Reconciled - Easter

Study Notes for Message on 4th April 2021

We are fallen and broken, yet God loves us and calls us to perfection. **Does Romans 5 verse 8 encourage you? Why?**

Faith is a window, to help you see the person the other side. Faith in Jesus is to say 'I'm willing' when he says, 'Follow me.' **What should that mean?**

Jesus calls us to the plank-eye process. **Does that help, and why?**

Religions who decide their structure is necessary for God to work. **If God no longer uses our movement, should we close the doors?**

God doesn't want to just save individuals, but to save the relationships we have.

Does your faith affect your relationships? How?

The disciples processing their selfish tendencies. E.g: Matthew 18:1, 19:27; Mark 10:14, 10:37. **What do they tell you?**

The rivalry between Peter and John. (e.g. Peter not as: 'The one on whom I build my church.' Peter not having his feet washed; cutting off the servant's ear; swimming ashore. John as Jesus' special friend; saying he ran the fastest). **Do you see John's subtext?**

John 13:34 - a new command from Jesus. **How can we do this?**

Read Ephesians 2 verses 11 to 22. In what way is reconciliation difficult?

Two initial steps:

First, set a goal and be specific.

Second, establish action steps in line with your goal.

What will be your action steps?