

Colossians 1:19-23  
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Verse: Colossians 1:21-22

Homework: Colossians 1

Universal Reconciliation made Available 1:19-20

- All the fullness dwells in Him
  - Fullness = Completeness (See 2:9!)
  - Reconcile = To restore proper friendly relationships after they had been broken. (see 2 Corinthians 5:16-21)
  - Blood shed on the cross – see Lev. 17:14; Hebrews 9:22

The Pattern of that Reconciliation 1:21-23

- Our Former Condition 21
  - Alienated from God (See Genesis 3; Colossians 1:13)
  - Enemies in our minds and our actions.
- The Means of Our Rescue 22
  - But now...
  - He has reconciled you...
  - By Christ's physical body...
    - Paul points out the full humanity of Jesus here.
    - If Jesus were not like us, he could not save us. (see Hebrews 2:14-18)
  - To present you holy in his sight...
  - God's action:
    - Past – Dealing with our sin on the cross. (See Colossians 1:14!)
    - Present – Refashioning our lives to be more like Christ.
    - Future – The hope of final reconciliation!
- Our Present Response 23
  - If... - No doubt implied.
  - Established and firm, not moved from the hope of the gospel.
  - The Gospel, the Gospel!

Keys:

- Are you reconciled with God?

Application:

- How is your foundation?