

ESTABLISHING A CONNECTION WITH GOD

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- Mankind is God's creation, and we are made in God's image, and we were made to connect with Him.
- Mankind's connection to God spiritually was _____ by sin. vs. 1, 5
- Good news! God has made it possible for us to reconnect with Him.
- The most important thing for any person to _____ is that they have a relationship with God and are connected to Him. But you have to accept and realize three truths.

First, there is a _____ between yourself and God.

- The Bible teaches that our _____ have created a relational barrier between us and God. vs. 1-3

Second, Christ accomplished the ultimate _____ plan.

- God is a God of peace and reconciliation, and God marvelously designed a peace plan for mankind to be able to reconnect with Him.

- This plan would center in His Son, Jesus Christ. vs. 13-17
- Jesus made a sacrifice for our sin on the cross. He died in our _____. Ephesians 5:2
- *“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8*

Third, God _____ you to be reconciled to Himself.

- Reconciliation takes _____ willing parties.
- God has already made the first move and reached out to you through His Son, Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:19
- God extends the offer of reconciliation to us.
- How do you accept God’s offer of reconciliation? vs. 8-9
- God’s salvation comes through _____. 1:12-13
- The moment we trust Christ, we receive God’s Spirit into our spirit, enabling us to now relate to God. We are now eternally connected to God. vs. 4-5

Once you are connected to God in a living and vibrant relationship, you have true, divine _____.