

This Is The Gospel Colossians 1:21-23 NIV

1. _____: OUR SIN ALIENATES US FROM GOD.

Col. 1:21 Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

Ephesians 4:18 They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts.

2. ____: CHRIST RECONCILES US BY THE CROSS.

Col. 1:22 But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—

Rom 5:10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

3.

MOTIVATES US TO BE FAITHFUL.

Col. 1:23a ... if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel.

1 John 2:19 They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us.

4. THIS IS

Col. 1:23b This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

Philippians 2:12–13 Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

MEMORY VERSE: Colossians 1:17 *He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

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