

**WHY WE DO CHURCH PART III**  
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**2 CORINTHIANS 5:14-20**  
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**INTRODUCTION**

- We know church isn't something we do, it is something we are called to be.
- We all need hope, in Christ, we have found that hope.
- Now, we are called to invite people into that hope.

**I. YOUR LIFE CAN HAVE AN ETERNAL IMPACT**

- One of the greatest things we can do in life is lead another person into a relationship with Jesus.
- We are called to be Christ's representatives in a broken world.
- Things that primarily keep us from getting in the game: our perspective of God, of others and of ourselves.

**II. PERSPECTIVE OF GOD**

- 2 Corinthians 5:14, "...Christ's love compels, controls, constrains us..."
- Paul goes into this passage unpacking what his role has been, and what ours is as believers, but he starts by setting the foundation: the love of Jesus.
- We need to understand how loved we are so that we function from grace and joy rather than guilt and fear.
- Romans 5:1, "...we have peace with God because of what Jesus did for us..."

**III. PERSPECTIVE OF OTHERS**

- When we understand God's heart for us, we will better understand His heart for others.
- When we understand just how deep and transformative God's love is, we know that isn't just for us.
- Seeing people through the lens of Jesus:
  - Creates empathy
  - Humanizes those around you
  - Makes you more like Jesus

**IV. PERSPECTIVE OF OURSELVES**

- The world needs Christians that have a healthy understanding of who they are.
- That they are so loved, they can't help but go and give that love away.
- When we are compelled by God's love, and we no longer view people from a human point of view, we can accurately see what our job is: reconcile people to Jesus.
- 1 Peter 3:15, "Always be ready to answer anyone who asks you to explain the reason for the hope you have, but do it with gentleness and respect."
- We are called to share the hope we have.