

## NEW IDENTITY (v16-21) – We Live as New Creations and Ambassadors of Reconciliation

- A **New Way** of Seeing People—broken souls that God loves and wants to redeem. (v16) Mark 12:30-31
- A **New Creation** —A redeemed saint being made brand new in all things. (v17) John 3:3-6, 16
- A **New Mission** —an ambassador for Christ of reconciliation. (v18–20) Matt.28:18-28
- A **New Standing** before God—holy, blameless, and above reproach. (v21) Col.1:22

### Growing Notes

**Ice Breaker:** What comes to mind when you think of being a New Creation in Christ (See Key Verse: 2Cor.5:17)?

**New Perspective (v1-10):** Paul compares our bodies to temporary tents (v.1). What does that image teach us about how to view life's struggles and successes? What does it look like for you personally to "walk by faith, not by sight" (v.7)? Can you share a recent example?

**New Motivation (v11–15):** Verse 14 says, "Christ's love compels us." What's the difference between being driven by duty and being compelled by love? What helps you stay motivated to serve Christ when life feels discouraging or ordinary?

**New Identity (v16–21):** Verse 17 says we are "new creations." In what ways has Christ changed how you see yourself or your mission? Paul calls us "ambassadors for Christ" (v.20). What are some practical ways you can represent Jesus in your workplace, family, or community this week?

Which of these truths — new perspective, new motivation, or new identity — do you most need to live out right now? Pray for God to help you walk in it.



## Coming Up 2025

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THANKSGIVING  
MEAL DRIVE:  
Donate a Meal  
Receive a Meal

Register online

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LADIES FALL  
EVENT  
"DWELLING IN  
THE SECRET  
PLACE"  
Register online

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FAITH.FAMILY.  
FREEDOM  
Town Square  
Guest Speaker  
Elijah Mizyak

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SURVIVING THE  
HOLIDAYS  
THURS.7PM  
FAMILY ROOM

You are not alone

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dbKIDS  
Parent's Night Out  
Register online

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Women's Prayer  
Night.

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change for this  
month

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## CURRENT SERIES

### God > My Highs/Lows – 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians

#### DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

- >Elders/Pastors available after every service to pray with you.
  - >Call the church office to be added to the prayer chain.
  - >Sunday night prayer meeting 6pm, in the lobby
- >Elders meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. monthly, Elders available for prayer and anointing.

*James 5:14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.*



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**Actual \$50,517 Budget \$28,500 – YTD AVG \$28,837**  
**DYTM : \$360**



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2025

**God is > My Highs/Lows**  
**“New Creation in Christ” (2Cor.5:1-21)**

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**Big Idea:** Because we are a New Creation in Christ, we live with a New Perspective, a New Motivation, and a New Identity—no matter our circumstances.

Life brings highs and lows—mountain peaks and dark valleys. The Apostle Paul understood both: he faced persecution, suffering, and uncertainty, yet his faith was anchored in the unchanging reality of Christ. 2 Corinthians 5 shows us that when we belong to Christ, everything changes: how we see life, why we live, and who we are.

**Key Verse:** “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.” –2 Cor.5:17

#### **NEW PERSPECTIVE (v1-10) – We Live by Faith, Not by Sight**

- A **Hope** for my heavenly dwelling. (v1-5) 1Cor.15:35-49
- A **Faith** that gives me courage to face anything. (v6-8) Heb.11:1, 6
- An **Accountability** to want to please Christ in everything. (v9-10) 1Cor.3:10-15

#### **NEW MOTIVATION (v11-15) – We Live for Christ, Not for Ourselves**

- **Fear** of the Lord. (v11) Pro.9:10, 19:23
- **Authentic Devotion** to Christ. (v12-13) 2Cor.11:3
- **Love** of Christ. (v14–15) 1 John 3:16