



THE DAILY

BIBLE STUDY FROM NEWPOINTE

Thursday, August 25 – Our Deepest Spiritual Need

BOTTOM LINE: You're made of a spirit, a soul, and a body, and we believe ministry involves those three things.

All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:18-19

On Sunday we talked about how all Christians are also ministers, commissioned by Christ to spread His gospel. But we are a particular kind of minister. We have been given the ministry of reconciliation. While people have various physical and emotional needs, every person who has ever been born has the exact same spiritual needs. They are separated from God because of their sin, and need to be reconciled and brought back into a relationship with Him.

Our task when we minister to people's spiritual needs is to point them back to the God who made them and the gospel that can save them. The message to all with spiritual needs never changes; it says to them:

God made the whole world, He is completely holy, and you are responsible to Him. He judges the heart perfectly and sees all the things you have done and will ever do. Because of your sinful nature and the sinful actions produced by that nature, you are separated from Him. You need to be reconciled to Him; the good news is that you can be reconciled to God by believing in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on your behalf. When you believe in Jesus, God forgives all your misdeeds and refuses to hold them against you. He counts Christ's goodness as your goodness. In other words, you have been reconciled. This is the consistent spiritual need of all who are without Christ, but praise be to God that people can be reconciled when they believe the gospel. It is then and only then that their spiritual needs are met.

- When did God first meet all of your spiritual needs in Christ?
- Whom do you know who still has this need?
- Pray that God would use you to reach people with deep spiritual needs.