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Sermon Notes for January 12th, 2025

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

"Living as an Ambassador of Christ"

Sermon Text: **2 Corinthians 5:16-21** (p. 1228); Old Testament Text: **Psalm 118:13-18** (p. 649);

Gospel Text: **Luke 4:18-19** (p. 1093).

Read **2 Corinthians 5:16-21** as you listen to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

1. Read **2 Corinthians 5:16**. What happened in Paul's life that he could no longer *regard Christ according to the flesh*?

How did Paul's new regard for Christ affect the way he regarded all people?

2. Read **2 Corinthians 5:17**. To what does the word *therefore* in **2 Cor. 5:17** direct us back to in **2 Corinthians 5:16**?

What happens to *those who are in Christ* that makes them a *new creation*?

What must we do to prevent *the old* from reappearing in our lives?

3. Read **2 Corinthians 5:18**. What does it mean to be reconciled with someone?

How did *Christ reconcile us to himself*?

What ministry did *Christ give us after we were reconciled to Him*?

Why would Christ entrust this vital ministry to us only *after we were reconciled to Him*?

4. Read **2 Corinthians 5:19**. What phrase within this verse ought to be considered such good news that it would inspire us to tell others of their need to be reconciled to Christ?

What three things will the Holy Spirit show us if we trust Him to lead us in the *ministry of reconciliation*?

5. Read **2 Corinthians 5:20**. What does it mean to you to be an *ambassador for Christ*?

When we serve as an *ambassador for Christ*, which government's power and authority is firmly behind us?

What does the word *implore* mean?

Why is that the perfect word for an *ambassador for Christ* to use?

6. Read **2 Corinthians 5:21**. To whom is this verse referring?

When you stop to consider all that Jesus did for us, does it make you more or less eager to carry out *your ministry of reconciliation*?

7. What will you remember most from this message?