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# Growing Through Witness

2 Corinthians 5:20-21

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"A growing Christian knows the gospel is rooted in God's redeeming grace and is sustained and secured throughout life by His

G-R-O-W

amazing grace."

2 Corinthians 5:20-21

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Notes:

"A growing Christian is identified as one whose life is being reshaped while the mind is being			
renewed by the Word of God."			
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"A growing Christian is an obedient Christian.  More than a person who has enhanced religious thoughts and opinions, authentic growth results in active obedience."			
<b>W</b> "A growing Christian provides visible and verbal witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ."			

To be an Ambassador means:

- Specific commissioning for a special assignment
- Representative of a sender
- Exercise authority on behalf of another

Notes:

### As Ambassadors for Christ, we are to focus on...

Gospel \_\_\_\_\_

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

Matthew 28:18-20

Acts 1:8

John 17:18

Notes:

U.S. Population = 324,888,930

Fastest growing
U.S. religious group = "Nones"

71,475,564

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"An ambassador is both a messenger for and a representative of the one who sent him, and believers are messengers and representatives of the court of heaven. And just as an ambassador lives in a foreign land, so also do believers. Though citizens of heaven (Philippians 3:20), they represent their King in this world, where they live "as aliens and strangers" (1 Peter 2:11). They proclaim to the lost, perishing rebels of this fallen world the good news that they can be reconciled to the Holy King of Heaven." —John MacArthur

Notes:

## As Ambassadors for Christ, we are to prioritize...

Gospel	
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Notes:

1 Timothy 2:1-6

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#### As Ambassadors for Christ, we are to engage in...

"The present tense calls for continually making an appeal to those not yet reconciled and still at war with Almighty God and thus in desperate need of a 'permanent truce' or 'peace treaty' lest they pass on to the next world as God's enemies who will suffer eternal separation from Him and torturous imprisonment as 'war criminals'!"

—Barnes Commentary

Notes:

#### As Ambassadors for Christ, we are to work toward...

Notes:

#### 2 Corinthians 5:17

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