

The New Guy - Week 1 - March 15

Introduction

If Jesus was *The New Guy* at our work, His presence would certainly change things around the workplace. All of us who are followers of Jesus are *New Creations* ...we are the "new guy or new girl"...and as Christ lives in and through us, our presence will usher in His presence along with His works into all of our environments.

Discussion Questions

1. Have you started a new job recently or have you trained someone at your work recently? If so, talk about some of the tensions of being the "new person on the job" that you have recognized in your workplace.
2. In the message Jon referenced research from psychologist that point out two reasons there tends to be tension with "new guy/girl" in the workplace. Those reasons are territoriality and dominance. Have you ever noticed either one of these reasons to be a factor in your own life? If so, please share your experience with this group and how you felt while navigating them.
3. Read [2 Corinthians 5:17-21](#). What does Paul say people who are in Christ are? With this in mind, share with the group some recent experiences where you have recognized that you have been made new and you enacted a new trait that was foreign to you before knowing Jesus Christ.
4. In [2 Corinthians 5:18-19](#) What does Paul say that God did for us and then gave to us as a ministry? Have you received this gift from God and are you seeing Him attract others to you through this gift. If so, share a recent experience with this group where God has attracted someone to Himself through you. If not, what do you believe is hindering you from receiving this gift?
5. In [2 Corinthians 5:20](#) what does Paul say God has made us? Take some time to talk about what it means to be an ambassador. What do you think this means for you at your workplace? What does it mean for you at your home or in the community? Who does it mean is really "the new guy/girl" in your workplace, home, community?

Moving Forward

All of us who are followers of Jesus are *New Creations*... We are "the new guy or girl" and we have been called as ambassadors to represent God in all of our environments. As Christ lives in and through us, our presence will usher in His presence along with His works into all of our environments. Will you be reconciled to Jesus daily so that He can use you as His ambassador to reconcile others to Himself through you?

Changing Your Mind - Commit this to memory

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

[2 Corinthians 5:20](#) (ESV)