Reconciled to One Another

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READ Ephesians 2:13-22

Christ's peace is not merely private. Through His cross, Jesus brings those who were far off near to God and breaks down the dividing wall of hostility. In Him, people who once stood apart become members of one household. Advent therefore challenges the way we treat others: the person who irritates us, the relative with whom conversation is strained, or the church member whose background differs from ours. We cannot manufacture reconciliation in every relationship, and peace does not mean ignoring harm. But because we have received grace, we can pursue humility, honesty, forgiveness, and patient love. The church becomes a living witness when people united by Jesus learn to live as His family.

REFLECT

Is there a relationship where you could take a wise, humble step toward peace?

PRAY

God of peace, make us grateful for reconciliation with You and eager to pursue peace with others.