

Week of January 1, 2017!
Questions for Ohana
2 Corinthians 5: 14-21

ICE BREAKER: Share a highlight or a blessing from 2016 or a goal you have for 2017.

A Read 2 Corinthians 5: 17

- 1 What is the new creation in Christ that has come? Is this a present reality, a future promise, or both?
- 2 What specifically has passed away?
- 3 Why do some of the “new” and “old” seem to be still mixed up on our lives? (looking at verses 5: 5 and 15 might help)

B Read 2 Corinthians 5: 6-21 note the words “therefore” and “so”. Identify which verses they are found.

- 1 How does faith give us “confidence” in the face of physical sickness and death? (see verses 6-8)
- 2 What is the summary “goal” of Paul in light of his pondering big questions of life and death? (see verse 9-10)
- 3 Make a group list of areas of character that please the Lord?
- 4 Make a group list of actions of obedience that please the Lord?

(It may help to reference verses 14-21)

Application

With every new year we often take time to “reboot” our lives to make sure our priorities are where they should be under God.

Are there any “old” things that have crept back into your new life with Christ? Identify one or two areas that God is wanting to get rid of.

Are there “new” areas that God is wanting you to nourish? How might you cooperate with the Holy Spirit this week to make a first step?