

I. Read II Corinthians 5:20-21

- A. The Apostle Paul speaks of himself and his co-workers as “ambassadors for Christ” in verse 20. In the *Oxford American Dictionary*, an ambassador is defined as:

“a diplomat sent by one country as a permanent representative or on a special mission to another...an official messenger.”

In what way might it be said that all believers are ambassadors for Christ?

In some specific areas of our lives, how should a believer conduct himself so as not to hinder the message of the gospel?

— as employers:

—as employees:

—as husbands and wives:

—as parents:

—as church members:

—as citizens:

- B. When Paul writes, “as though God were entreating through us” (NAS), what is the practical significance?
- C. In verse 21, it is explained that Jesus took our sins upon Himself. What does this mean, given the fact that Jesus was (and is) God, sharing the attributes and the same nature as God the Father and God the Holy Spirit?
- D. How do we become “the righteousness of God in Him” (NAS)?

