

NEW

PEOPLE

PARTNERSHIP | PURPOSE | POWER | PEOPLE

2 Corinthians 5

PEOPLE COMPELLED

2 Corinthians 5:14-17 || Christ's love compels us! Jesus died for the whole world, that is the demonstration of His love. He invites us to participate in this love by joining Him in His mission! We are not "condemners" nor are we "judgers," but rather we are GOSPELERS!

Being a "people compelled" means that we are impacted, motivated, pushed, and driven by God's Love shown to us in Jesus. We then seek to participate with Him in that love. It is *who we are*.

Remember! We are in a NEW:Partnership, with a NEW:Purpose, given all-surpassing NEW:Power to be made into a NEW:People!

Dig Deeper: John 3 (especially verse 17!) and 1 John 4 (especially verse 18!) Also: Matthew 7:1-5, Luke 6:37-38, Romans 1:18-2:4, 1 Corinthians 5:9-13

PEOPLE MADE NEW

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 || Many will say you are a new creation IF the old has gone! DON'T MOVE THE "IF"! The IF belongs with your baptism, with your faith, NOT with your actions! YOU. ARE. A. NEW. CREATION. ← The person who believes the words *has* what they promise!

What kind of church are we? A Loved by Jesus Church. A People Made New Church. A Joining Jesus on His Mission Church.

Historical Note: The origins of the "Lutheran" church are in the REFORMATION (a time when leaders sought to point everyone back to Jesus by bringing forth His Word) and were OPPOSED to being sectarian.

Write 2 Corinthians 5:21 on your heart! Not only is this the Good News of Jesus for you, it is the **Partnership**, the **Purpose** and the **Power** that makes us His New **People**!

Dig Deeper: Luke 10 (especially verses 16 and 20!), John 13:34-35, John 17