25 July 2010 - Preached by Rev Das Koshy Message Topic: **Jesus Brings Reconciliation**

Scripture Text: Colossians 1: 19-23

- 1. In v.19, we learn that God is the Originator of the reconciliation plan even though it is man who has offended and sinned against God. God is the One who came out with the salvation plan to remove the enmity and reconcile man unto Himself.
- 2. In v. 20, we learn of the means of the reconciliation plan. The Son of God, Jesus Christ, came to this sinful world to save mankind. He died on the cross and shed His blood so that sins can be forgiven and man can be reconciled to God. The Lord Jesus made peace for us. Salvation work is all done by Jesus and there is nothing we can add to it.
- 3. In v.21 & 22a, we learn of the recipients of this reconciliation. Sinful and wicked men are now able to reconcile to God through the Lord Jesus Christ. It is only the grace of God that sinful man can receive such great salvation.
- 4. In v. 22b, we see the purpose of the reconciliation plan. God will save sinners and present them holy, blameless and unreproveable to God, the Heavenly Father.
- 5. In v.23, we see the path of the reconciled people i.e Christians. They live their lives with great hope waiting for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to receive them to Heaven.