

30 March 2018: Preached by Reverend Tan Kian Sing

**Topic: Peace Through the Blood**

Scripture text: Colossians 1:20-21

1. All men are sinners and thus need to be reconciled unto the most holy God. To be reconciled unto God is to make peace with Him.

2. We can only have peace with God through the precious blood of Jesus Christ (v. 20a). We obtain redemption and forgiveness of sins through Christ's blood (Col 1:14). God took the initiative to reconcile men unto Himself by sending His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to be the propitiation for our sins (v. 20b). We must trust in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ to have peace with God.

3. All men need to be reconciled unto God because they "were sometime alienated" and enemies of God (v. 21a). We have departed from intimacy with God our Creator because of our sins. All our works and righteousness are as filthy rags in God's sight because all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God (Rom 3:23). Just by faith in Jesus Christ, we become friends of God and no longer His enemies.

4. Thank God for extending His salvation grace to sinners through the blood of Jesus' Cross. Have you asked Jesus to come into your heart to be your Saviour? Make peace with God and the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.