

*“He Chose the Nails,
He Chose to Forgive Us”*



“Nails fix broken things.
They join together things that were
separated. They make things whole.
God used nails to accomplish his plan.”

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For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

Romans 5:10, NKJV



“An enemy is an adversary—One who offends, not out of ignorance, but by intent.”

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9 But one day when Saul was sitting at home, with a spear in hand, the tormenting spirit from the Lord suddenly came upon him again. As David played his harp,
10 Saul hurled his spear at David. But David dodged out of the way, and leaving the spear stuck in the wall, he fled and escaped into the night.

1 Samuel 19:9-10, NLT



We Were God's Enemies

- *All of us have done something God wouldn't want us to do.*
 - *All of us have hurt one of His children.*
 - *All of us have supported the work of God's adversary, the devil.*
 - *All of us have turned against God in public.*
 - *All of us have enjoyed the pleasures of sin.*

*Sin is an arrest
warrant for
the judgment
of God against
all sinners.*



There's A
Warrant For
Your Arrest!

13 When you were stuck in your old sin-dead life, you were incapable of responding to God. God brought you alive — right along with Christ! Think of it! All sins are forgiven,
14 the slate wiped clean, that old arrest warrant canceled and nailed to Christ's Cross.

Colossians 2:13-14, MSG



For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God
is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23, NKJV



20 and through him God reconciled
everything to himself.

He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth
by means of Christ's blood on the cross.

21 This includes you who were once far away from God.
You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil
thoughts and actions.

Colossians 1:20-21, NLT



Reconciliation

- Reconciliation is God's gift to his enemies.
- In Reconciliation God offers his enemies friendship.
- Reconcile is to end a relationship of enmity and substitute it for one of peace and goodwill.

Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body.
As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.

Colossians 1:22, NLT

