A vibrant autumn landscape painting. In the foreground, a calm river reflects the surrounding colors. The banks are lined with trees in shades of red, orange, and yellow. In the background, rolling mountains are visible under a blue sky with soft, white clouds. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

Grace over Judgement
Philemon 8-16
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Opening Question:

Did you ever have to face a consequence even though you got away with doing wrong?

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Paul mentored and disciplined people who he saw as his own children:

1 Timothy 1:2, Titus 1:4, 1 Corinthians 4:14-15

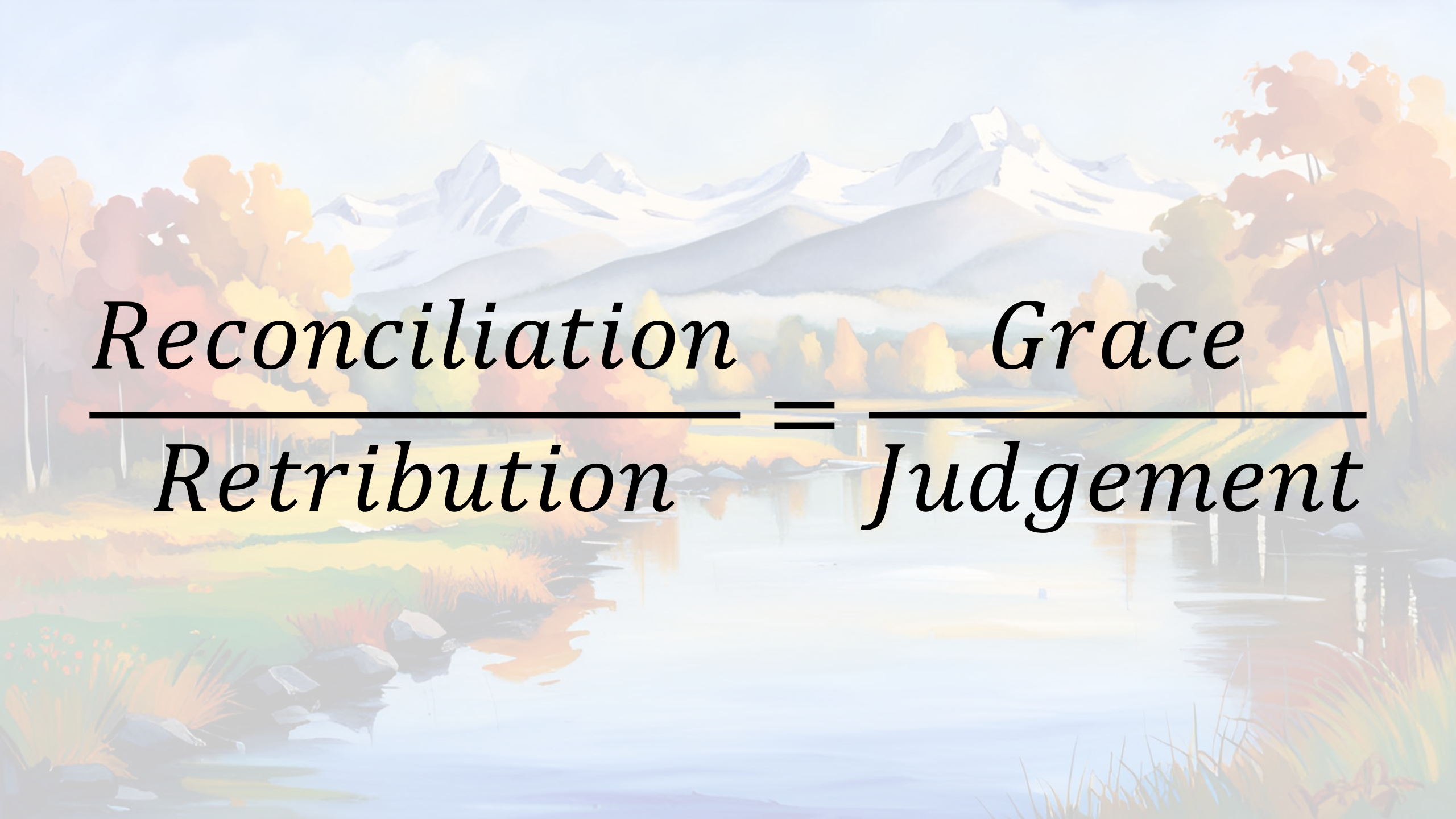


Onesimus was known in Colossae: *Colossians 4:7-9*



As Christians, we are all one in Christ: Galatians 3:28





Reconciliation = *Grace*
Retribution = *Judgement*

Closing Reference Verses: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21



"Just as we go from useless to useful[1], from lost to found[2], and from death to life[3], we also go from slave and sinner to brother and sister in Christ[4], and from the retribution of sin to reconciliation through Christ[5]. Through Christ, it is reconciliation over retribution[6], which in turn, is God's grace over judgment[7]."

[1] Philemon 1:11; [2] Luke 15:24; [3] John 5:24; [4] Galatians 3:28, Romans 6:6, Hebrews 2:11; [5] 2 Corinthians 5:18-19; [6] Romans 5:10; [7] Ephesians 2:8-9, James 2:13.



Closing Question:

How can we seek God's grace and exhibit grace to others?