

# “A Cross-view of the Cradle”

2 Corinthians 5:11-21

The reason we can possess and must show joy is that we who were alienated from God are forgiven and restored to him by Christ.

## **I. THE NEED OF RECONCILIATION**

A. How did we become God’s enemy?

B. What did that mean for us all?

## **II. THE AGENT OF RECONCILIATION**

“All praise to God who reigns above,  
in majesty supreme,  
Who gave his Son for all to die,  
That he might man redeem.”

## **III. THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION**

What God accomplished through the substitutionary death of his Son is to be proclaimed through gospel ministry.