Are You a New Creationist? (10/6/24)

Main Verses: 2 Corinthians 4:6 **Key Verse**: 2 Corinthians 4:6

'**Takeaway**': Just as God created the whole world long ago thru his Son, today you & I can be re-created (thru the same Son) for a whole new life, & eventually, a

whole new world.

Getting Started: Have you ever wished things were different?

READ 2 Corinthians 4:6 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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- What does it mean to be re-created?

Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses:

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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

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