“These metaphors stretch across the breadth of the Bible, from Old Testament to New, collecting in the epistles where they are summarized in five distinct categories...” Jonathan Dodson, *The Unbelievable Gospel*

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| Metaphors: Good news to those… | Kind of metaphors | Biblical term | Biblical passage examples |
| Seeking Acceptance | legal metaphor | Justification | Gal 2:16 |
| Seeking Hope | life and death metaphors | New Creation | Eph 2:5; Titus 3:5 |
| Seeking Intimacy | body-marriage metaphors | Union with Christ | 1 Cor 3:22; Col 3:3; Eph 1:3 |
| Seeking Tolerance | slavery and sacrificial metaphors | Redemption | Eph 1:7 |
| Seeking Approval | familiar metaphor | Adoption | Eph 2:3; 1 John 3:1; Gal 3:26 |

Resource: Jonathan Dodson, *The Unbelievable Gospel*, Chapter 7 Diversity: Handling the Gospel in its Different Forms