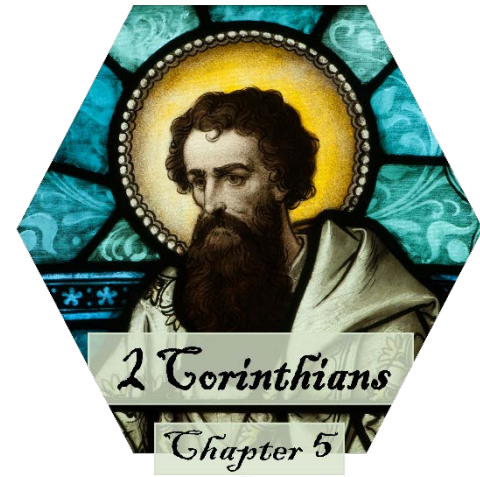


2 Corinthians – Chapter 5



Author: Paul

Date: 55 A.D.

Purpose: for the Corinthians to rebuild trust in Paul as God's Apostle

Theme: Strength in weakness

Walk by Faith

Read 5:1-10

- † What did Paul do for work while with the Corinthians?
 - See Acts 18:1-3
- † Consider the difference between temporary and permanent. Is there anything permanent in our world?
- † What is the “tent” and what is the “heavenly dwelling” Paul refers to? (vs 2)
- † What does being naked mean? (vs 3)
 - See 1 Corinthians 15:54
- † What burdens make you groan for your immortal body and life? (vs 4)
- † Are we really “away from the Lord” while in our bodies? (vss 6-7)
- † Does the judgment of Christ concern you? (vs 10)

What Motivates?

Read 5:11-15

- † Who is Paul referring to as “we,” and what point is he making in verse 11?
- † What does verse 13 mean?
- † How does Christ's love for you, “control” you? Is there a better word choice?
 - See Titus 2:11-14
- † How have all people who believe in Jesus died? (vs 14-15)

Ministry of Reconciliation

Read 5:16-21

- † How do we regard people according to the flesh, even Christ? (vs 16)
- † What has God entrusted to us as His faithful believers? (vss 17-18)
 - See Romans 5:11-12; Colossians 1:20
- † Describe the significance of an ambassador in the modern world.
- † Verse 21 is worthy of memorizing as one of the most important verses in all of Scripture. Why?
 - See Galatians 3:13; Romans 8:3; 1 Peter 2:24; Philippians 3:9