

# Message Based Discussion

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

- What did you like about this passage?
- What did you find hard to accept or understand?
- What does this passage teach about people?
- What does this passage teach us about God? What does it teach about Jesus?
- What will you do now? Based on this passage, how will your life change?
- How specifically are you going to live out today's lesson?
- Who will you tell? With whom will you have a conversation about this passage?

## The Call to Christian Discipleship

Paul lays out a resume of sorts that reveals that he has seen good times and bad. We have every indication that even the church in Corinth is a culprit for some of what Paul has endured. Consider what your resume would look like if you were to follow Paul's pattern. What kind of hardships have you endured as a Christian?

## The Call to Missional Living

In this section of Paul's letter there is a heavy emphasis on calling both Christians and the lost to be reconciled to God. He uses the term "implore" in chapter five, and here, "appeal". In what ways could you implore the lost world around you to be reconciled to God?

## Memorize: Verse of the month (Doctrine)

"as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death."

—Philippians 1:20

# Character Before Career

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Reading: Deuteronomy 31:1-8

1. What does it look like to work together?

- Know what unites us (5:20-21)
- Know what distinguishes us
  - general: God's righteousness
  - specific: spiritual gifts
- Know what the goal is
  - "implore" (5:20), "appeal" (6:1)
  - The grace of God is the goal

2. What does it mean to receive the grace of God “in vain”?

- Vanity (in vain):
  
- Where is the glorification of God?  
What is the chief end of man?  
To glorify God and enjoy Him forever.  
The day of salvation glories in Christ’s death, burial,  
and resurrection
  
- Unrestricted access to God and His grace

3. What does it look like to commend ourselves?

- Recognizing the good with the bad
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Our treatment does not always match our reality

- Being honest with ourselves first  
we have needs  
we also have gratitude

4. What does it mean to widen our hearts?

- Open mouth-open heart
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Our own worst enemy
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Widen your hearts  
Evangelistic: to the hurting, desperate, totally de-  
praved  
Discipleship: get back to the good (the old has gone,  
the new has come)