

Faith Village Adult Education

2nd Corinthians #1

September 30th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 1: 1-11)

- 1) Before this study begins, what do you already know about 2nd Corinthians? How does it differ from 1st Corinthians?
- 2) Paul seems to indicate God's "comfort" serves *two* main purposes. What are they? (Vs.4)
- 3) Which purpose do you rely on more?
- 4) How do we "comfort" others with the "comfort" we've received from God?
- 5) Why does Paul talk so much about suffering?
- 6) How had the Corinthians "shared" in Paul's "sufferings"? (Vs. 7)

October 7th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 1: 12-24)

- 1) Are we totally sure Paul doesn't write things we can't understand? (Vs. 13) Aren't there some things we have a hard time grasping?
- 2) How do we adequately, yet appropriately, "boast" in other people? (Vs. 14) Is the line ever crossed? If yes, when and how?
- 3) What is God's "seal of ownership"? (Vs. 22) What does this really mean?
- 4) Does Paul violate Jesus' command not to "swear" in verse 23?
- 5) Overall, what is the main objective Paul is trying to prove in this lesson?

October 14th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 2: 1-11)

- 1) How, or why, was Paul's visit and "grief" connected?
- 2) What "punishment" is Paul referring to in verse 6?
- 3) How could Paul forgive someone he didn't even know? Isn't repentance necessary for forgiveness? (Vs. 10)
- 4) Can Satan really "outwit" us if we don't forgive? (Vs. 11) How?
- 5) Is there a difference between "forgiveness" and "restoration"/"reconciliation"?

October 21st, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 2: 12-17)

- 1) Why was Titus such a strong factor in Paul's emotional health? (Vs. 13)
- 2) What is the difference between the "fragrance" of verse 14, and the "aroma" of verse 15? Can we be or become both?
- 3) Who are the two parties mentioned in verse 16?
- 4) Paul said many preachers "peddled" the gospel for profit. (Vs. 17) How did Paul know? How can we know if it takes place today?

October 28th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 3: 1-6)

- 1) How can people serve as “letters of recommendation”?
- 2) How could a church full of problems in 1st Corinthians serve as this “letter” in 2nd Corinthians? What does this say not only about the grace of God, but the growth of people?
- 3) How do we know when people become our “letters of recommendation”? In other words, how do we know when, or how, our influence is seen?
- 4) How does the “letter” kill? How does the “Spirit” give life? Does this apply to biblical interpretation? If so, how?

November 4th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 3: 7-18)

- 1) Why was Paul trying to prove the old law had passed away? Wasn't that common knowledge?
- 2) What is the significance of the “veil”? (Vs. 13)
- 3) How does the “veil” cover hearts when Moses is read? (Vs. 15)
- 4) How do we have “freedom” in the Spirit today? (Vs. 17)
- 5) How far does “freedom” reach?

November 11th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 4: 1-6)

- 1) How do we set forth truth “plainly”? (Vs. 2)
- 2) Even if we do present the truth “plainly”, how do we “commend ourselves to every man’s conscience”? (Vs. 2)
- 3) Has God really “blinded” the minds of unbelievers? If so, how do unbelievers become believers? (Vs. 4)
- 4) What is the “god” mentioned in verse 4?
- 5) When do we know when, or if, we’re “preaching ourselves”? (Vs. 5)

November 18th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 4: 7-18)

- 1) What is the “treasure” in “jars of clay”? (Vs. 7)
- 2) How do we know if our lives are handed over to death for Jesus’ sake? (Vs. 11)
- 3) How are we “renewed day by day”? (Vs. 16)
- 4) What qualifies a trouble as “light” and “momentary”? (Vs. 17)
- 5) How do we fix our eyes on what is “unseen”? (Vs. 18)

November 25th, 2018 (2nd Corinthians 5:1-10)

- 1) Does your spirit “groan” in its earthly tent? (Vs. 2-4) How do you know?
- 2) Based on Paul’s advice in this passage, how can we defeat discouragement?
- 3) How do we live by faith, not by sight? (Vs. 7)
- 4) How do we make it our goal to please God? (Vs. 9)
- 5) Do you view the Day of Judgment with fear, anxiousness, enthusiasm, or all of the above?