

*Welcome to Women's
Bible Study!*

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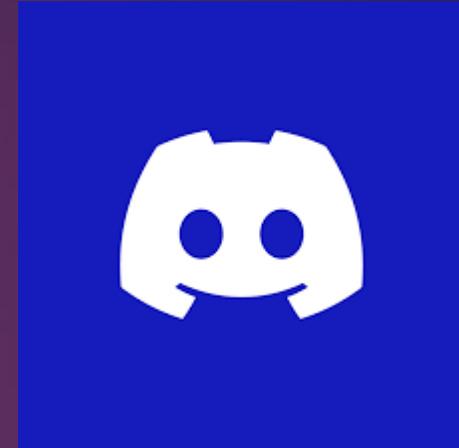
*"GRACE BEGETS
GRACE"*



SOVEREIGN GRACE MUSIC

Welcome!

How to connect/Resources:



Anchored

Treasuring God and His Word as our Firm Foundation and Eternal Hope

Goal: To grow in the knowledge of the Lord in order to treasure Him more fully and to reflect Him more accurately as we are conformed to His image.



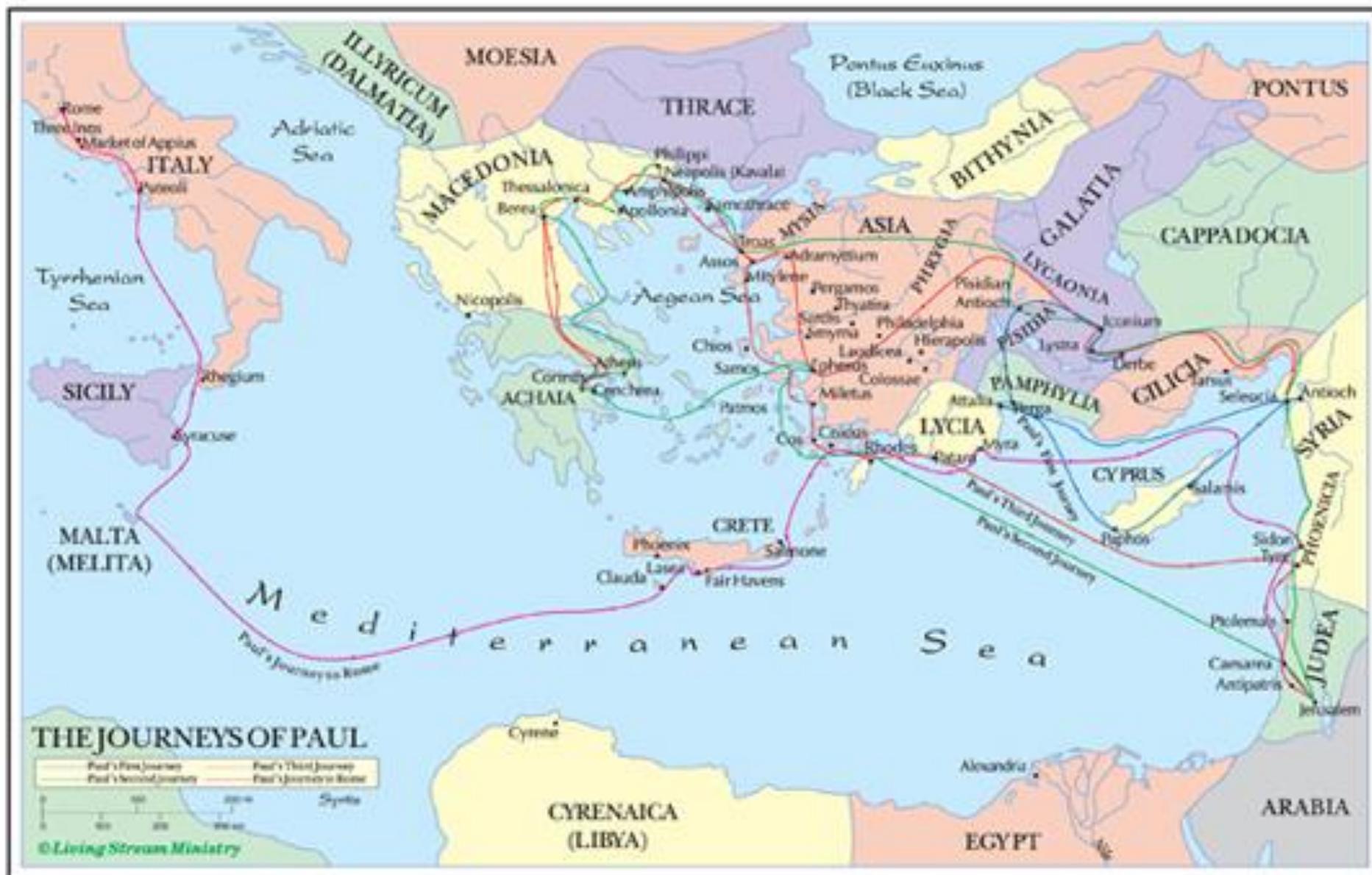


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2 CORINTHIANS 3:18 ESV**

2 CORINTHIANS

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Review





Author: Paul

Purpose: After a strained relationship with them that included a letter of correction (1 Corinthians), a painful visit, and a severe letter of rebuke, they have repented so Paul is writing to help rebuilt their relationship, address some ongoing issues (Super Apostles), and tell them how to prepare for his upcoming visit.



HISTORY

Ongoing Issues in Corinth

- *Paul's changing travel plans*
- *The unfinished collection*
- *Ongoing immorality*
- *Paul's apostleship*
- *"Super Apostles"*
- *Preparation for his 3rd and final visit.*



Outline:

1. *Overview and Introduction/Comfort in Affliction (1:1-11)*
2. *Paul's personal defense-His Commendation is from God (1:12-3:18)*
3. *Paul's defense of his ministry-Do not lose heart (4-5)*
4. *Paul's Appeal-God's grace is not in vain (6-7)*
5. *Call to complete the collection for the saints (8-9)*
6. *Paul's apostolic authority over the "super apostles" (10:1-11:15)*
7. *Boasting in weakness/His power made perfect (11:16-12:13)*
8. *Preparation for Paul's third visit/Closing (12:14-13:14)*

Summary:

1:1-11-Introduction (Sept.)

*1:12-7:16-Paul's defense: Personal and Ministry
(Oct., Nov., Dec.)*

8-9-Giving generously (Jan.)

10:1-12:13-The rebellious minority (Feb. March)

12:14-13:10-Preparations for a third visit (April)

13:11-14-Final Greetings (April)



2 Corinthians 1:1-11:

Introduction

Blessing/Benediction

Paul's trials and afflictions

→ We are comforted in Christ in order to comfort others.



2 Corinthians 1:12-3:18

Paul's defense of his travel plans

God leads in triumphal procession in Christ

*We are the aroma of Christ-aroma of death vs.
aroma of life*

Old Covenant vs. New Covenant

→ We become what we behold.



2 Corinthians 4-5

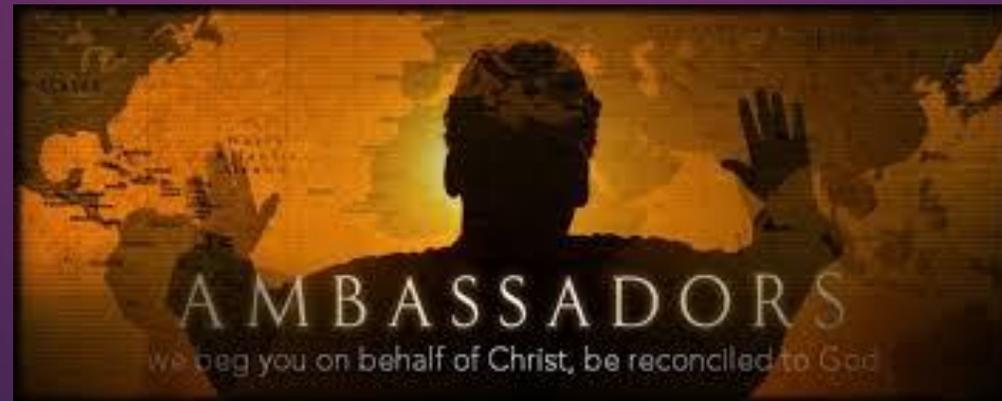
Paul defends his ministry

Treasure in jars of clay

Temporary afflictions vs eternal weight of glory

New creation/Ambassadors

→ Our frailty magnifies God's power and the glory of Christ.



2 Corinthians 6-7

*Paul's life as his commendation
Separate from the world/God dwells in our
midst*

*Godly grief produces repentance
→ Welcomed by God, we walk in holiness and
godly repentance in the fear of the Lord.*



Group Discussion

Study Guide

Teaching-2 Corinthians 8-9

“Grace Begets Grace: Walking out the Gospel in
the Gift of Giving”

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Romans 15:26:

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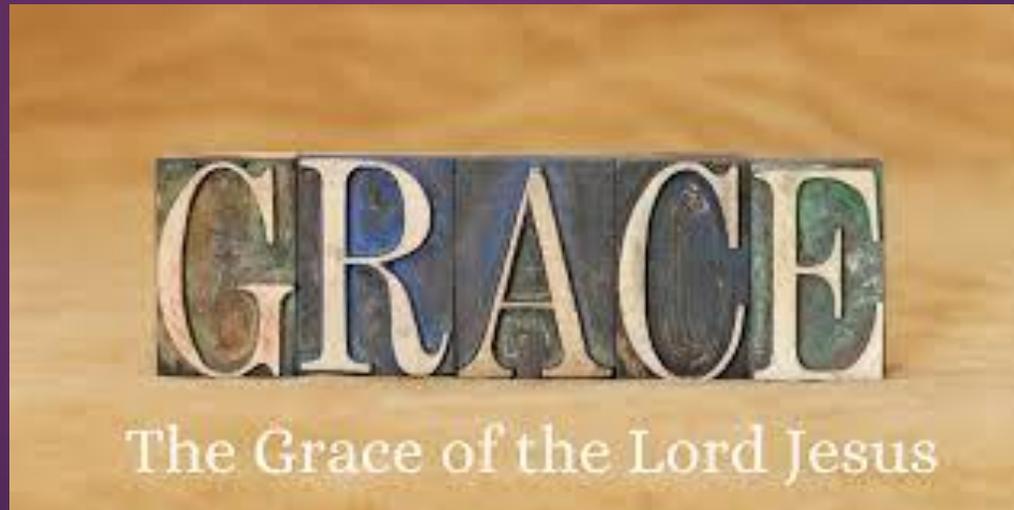
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Philippians 2:5-8

5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.



Humility

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Romans 15:27

For they were pleased to do it, and indeed they owe it to them. For if the Gentiles have come to share in their spiritual blessings, they ought also to be of service to them in material blessings



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Exodus 16:18

But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat.



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Psalm 112: 1, 7-9

*Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
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*7 He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm,
trusting in the LORD.*

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Application:

- 1. Willing and abundant generosity to others is the only right response to the generosity that we have been given in the gospel.*
- 2. Generosity to others is just another way that we live a “crucified” life, following our Savior who was lavish in His generosity to us.*
- 3. Giving ought to be thoughtful, purposeful and intentional so that it is given out of a willing heart and not out of obligation or exaction.*

Application:

- 4. God will give all that we need, and it is His grace that enables us to give so He gets all of the glory.*
- 5. Our desire to give is so that God is thanked, worshiped, and praised, not ourselves! We push all glory to Him and receive what He gives to us in the process: more grace, unity with our brothers and sisters, the joy of participating in His work, and righteousness and Christlikeness being formed in us—all of which result in more praise and glory to Him!*

Thoughts to Consider

Discussion/Sharing Time

1. *How does our generosity (or lack of it) reflect our love for God and our understanding of the gospel?*
2. *In what ways can we practically imitate Christ in the way that we give? How do we cultivate generosity that is willing and cheerful?*
3. *Which area is the most difficult for you to be generous and why? (Money, possessions, time, convenience, self-recognition/credit)*
4. *How can you be thoughtful, intentional, and prepared to show generosity in that particular area this month?*

Summary

Closing Thoughts

*→ Grace begets grace:
Walking out the
gospel in the gift of
giving.*



FOR YOU KNOW THE GRACE OF OUR

LORD JESUS CHRIST,

THAT THOUGH HE WAS RICH,

YET FOR YOUR SAKE HE BECAME POOR,

SO THAT YOU **BY HIS POVERTY**

MIGHT BECOME RICH.

2 CORINTHIANS 8:9

Homework:

- *Join Discord!*
- *Read 2 Corinthians 10-11:15 and work on the study guide. (To be sent soon) Finish 2 Corinthians 8-9 study guide*
- *Next Study: Tuesday, February 24 (4th Tues)*

