

- Where do you find <u>comfort?</u>
- Where do you find <u>hope?</u>
- Where do you find <u>help?</u>
- Finding the 'new' in Jesus!

2nd Corinthians 1

- Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
- To the church of God in Corinth, together with all his holy people throughout Achaia:
- O ² Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

O ³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

5 For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ. 6 If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer.

⁷ And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.

⁸ We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about the troubles we experienced in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. ⁹ Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. ¹⁰ He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us again. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us, ¹¹ as you help us by your prayers. Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favor granted us in answer to the prayers of many. . .

Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, ²² set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

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- 3. Relying on God
- 4. A praying church
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- Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
- Paul's most common greeting:
- Why?
- Grace: God's Riches at Christ's Expense
- Peace: contrast with <u>struggle</u>, <u>conflict</u>
- from <u>God our Father</u> and the <u>Lord</u>
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