



REVIEW

- The section of 2 Corinthians we have been in and continue in through 7:16 is about Paul's apostolic ministry
 - It is a ministry of a glorious covenant
 - His ministry is from God
 - God makes Him sufficient
 - If one honestly and without prejudice examines his words and deeds, they will not find fault

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- 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 teach us:
 - A) Salvation is of God
 - B) God has made reconciliation possible through Jesus Christ
 - C) The apostles were given the ministry of reconciliation
 - D) God committed to the apostles the word of reconciliation
 - E) God reconciles men to himself when He does not impute their trespasses to them
 - F) all of the above
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- What does impute mean? (5:19)
 - To account, to reckon
- What does God not impute to those who are reconciled to Him?
 - Their trespasses, 5:19
- How does God not impute one's trespasses to himself?
 - He forgives them, Romans 4:7-8

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- The apostles were ambassadors for Christ.
 - True, 5:20
- An ambassador
 - A) is a messenger who communicates what he has been commissioned to say
 - B) is an official representative of his sovereign
 - C) does not speak in his own name; does not act on his own authority
 - D) all of the above
- D) all of the above



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- How badly does God want people reconciled to Him?
 - Pleads (5:20), Gave his Son to suffer the penalty of our sin (5:21)
- True or False: Jesus Christ paid the penalty for sin that was due us. He did this so that God could declare us righteous or justified.
 - True (5:21)

HIGH-LEVEL SUGGESTED OUTLINE

- I. Salutation (1:1-2)
- II. Paul's conduct in the light of the apostolic ministry (1:3-7:16)
- III. Instructions regarding the collection for needy saints in Jerusalem (8-9)
- IV. Addressing the enemies of Christ (10-13)

(Based on Outline in The Book of 2 Corinthians, by Melvin Curry, 2008, p.44-46)

PAUL'S CONDUCT IN THE LIGHT OF THE APOSTOLIC MINISTRY (1:3-7:16)

- I. Deep concern for the Corinthians (1:3-2:13)
 - A. Sincere Behavior (1:12-14)
 - B. Explaining change of plans and dealing with charge of fickleness (1:15-22)
 - C. Sparing the Corinthians a painful visit (1:23-24)
 - D. Why Paul wrote the former letter (2:1-4)
 - E. Reclaiming the penitent (2:5-11)
 - F. Anxiety in Troas (2:12-13)

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PAUL'S CONDUCT IN THE LIGHT OF THE APOSTOLIC MINISTRY (1:3-7:16)

- II. The Apostle's Ministry of the New Covenant (2:14-7:16)
 - A. The apostles – true ministers of Christ (2:14-17)
 - B. The Corinthians are Paul's letter of recommendation (3:1-3)
 - C. Paul, as God's minister of the new covenant, is made sufficient by God for this task (3:4-6)
 - D. The glory of the new covenant (3:7-11)
 - E. The reason for Paul's boldness (3:12-18)

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- II. The Apostle's Ministry of the New Covenant (2:14-7:16)
 - F. The character of the apostles (4:1-6)
 - G. The apostles' confidence and steadfastness (4:7-5:10)
 - H. The apostles' conduct and motives in their ministry (5:11-15)
 - I. Overview of the apostle's ministry (5:16-19)

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- II. The Apostle's Ministry of the New Covenant (2:14-7:16)
 - J. Paul, an ambassador of Christ
 - K. Paul's credentials
 - L. A plea for mutual affection from the Corinthians
 - M. Exhortation to be separate and holy
 - N. A final plea for the Corinthians to open their hearts

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2 CORINTHIANS 5:20-6:2

PAUL, AN AMBASSADOR FOR CHRIST

“Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ’s behalf, be reconciled to God. {21} For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. {6:1} We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. {2}

For He says:

‘In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you.’

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”

2 CORINTHIANS 6:3-10

PAUL'S CREDENTIALS

“We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed. {4} But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, {5} in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; {6} by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, {7} by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, {8} by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; {9} as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; {10} as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.”

2 CORINTHIANS 6:11-13

PLEADING FOR MUTUAL AFFECTION FROM THE CORINTHIANS

“O Corinthians! We have spoken openly to you, our heart is wide open. {12} You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted by your own affections. {13} Now in return for the same (I speak as to children), you also be open.”



2 CORINTHIANS 6:14-16A EXHORTATION TO HOLINESS

“Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? {15} And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? {16} And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God.”