

# Introduction

Who wrote it?

From where did they write it? Mark it on the map above.

Who was it written to?

What other partinent biblical information do we know about this place?

What is the theme of the book?

- 1. Who wrote it?
- 2. How are the recipients addressed?
- 3. So are they Christians?
- 4. What 3 things is God called in v. 3?
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- 5. Why does God comfort us in all our trials/afflictions?

6. When someone is troubled, is it necessary for us to have gone through that same trouble to be able to comfort that person?

- 7. What 2 things are ours in abundance?
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- 8. What is Paul's affliction doing for the Corinthians?
- 9. What is Paul's comfort doing for the Corinthians?
- 10. What is Paul so hopeful for the Corinthians?
- 11. How bad was their trouble in Asia?
- 12. Why did they have the "sentence of death" in themselves?

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- 13. How are the Corinthians helping Paul in his sufferings (2)?
- **14.** What is Paul's boasting in?
- 15. In essence, what is Paul writing to them?

16. Paul is planning on visiting them 2 more times on the way to \_\_\_\_\_\_ and on the way to

17. What does Paul want to get from them on his way to Judea?

18. What 3 people preached the Gospel to the Corinthians?

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19. All the promises of God are \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- 20. What 4 things has God done for us in vs. 21-22
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### Application

• In this chapter, Paul says his suffering has brought about some really positive effects. Highlight these effects on your worksheet and/or your Bible.

• Do you know anyone suffering right now? Pray that those effects become reality to them.

- 1. How did Paul determine *not* to come to them?
- 2. What emotional condition was Paul in when he wrote I Corinthians?
- 3. When someone has sinned against you and caused you sorrow, what are the 3 things you are to do to/for that person (vs. 5-8)?
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- 4. What could happen to that person if you don't forgive and comfort him?
- 5. Why did Paul have no rest in his spirit in Troas?
- **6.** What did he do about it?
- 7. According to v. 14, what 2 things is God always doing?
- 8. To those who are being saved, we are the aroma/smell of \_\_\_\_\_

9. To those who are perishing, we are the aroma/smell of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

### Application

- Do you know anyone who has fallen? Pray for them.
- Do you know anyone who has fallen and repented? Write them a word of encouragement.

- 1. What (or who) is Paul's letter of approval/commendation?
- 2. Who wrote this letter? Upon what? With what?
- 3. How are we sufficient?
- 4. When Paul speaks of the "letter that kills," what is he speaking of?
- 5. What is Paul speaking of when he says, "The ministry of death is written and engraved on stones?"
- 6. What is our ministry called? The ministry of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (2).

7. Why did Moses put a veil over his face?

8. Before someone turns to the Lord, a veil lies over his eyes. What happens once that person turns to the Lord?

**9.** The \_\_\_\_\_ = the Spirit.

- 10. Where the Spirit of the Lord is, what also is there?
- 11. What is happening to us now?

- Do you know anyone who is a Jewish unbeliever? What does this chapter say about them? Pray for them.
- Pray for the salvation of the Jewish people and others like them whose minds are veiled.

- 1. What have we renounced? What has it brought us to do?
- 2. Who is the Gospel veiled to?
- 3. What has happened to their minds?

4. What don't we preach? What do we preach?

- 5. How has God's act of creating light pertain to our salvation?
- 6. Why do we have this treasure in earthen vessels?
- 7. (Vs. 8-9) for this, Paul is \_\_\_\_\_\_ but not \_\_\_\_\_

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- 8. What is happening to them that the life of Jesus would be manifest in their flesh (2)?
- **9.** At the end of this chapter, Paul wants to comfort us by comparing what is seen with what is not seen. According to Paul, what is the difference?

- How much of your life is guided by sight? Think of how many expressions you use involving the word 'sight' (ex: "Nice to see you").
- Try to spend a day without using a single sight idiom.

- 1. What happens when our bodies are destroyed?
- 2. While we are in this earthly body, why do we groan now?
- 3. What (or who) is given to us as a pledge?
- 4. How are we to walk? Who are we not to walk?

5. Paul knows that to be absent of the body is to be \_\_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_\_.

6. Paul speaks about some of his opponents as boasting. What are they boasting in?

7. What controls/drives Paul to keep on for Christ?

8. If Christ died for us, how are we to no longer live?

9. How are we to live?

- 10. If you are in Christ, then you are also what?
- 11. Where was God in reconciling the world to Himself?
- 12. What was committed to Paul?
- 13. As ambassadors of Christ, what is God doing through us?
- 14. God caused Jesus to become \_\_\_\_\_\_ for us, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

- In this Chapter, we are told to no longer live for ourselves. List out 7 ways you can do this.
- Pray that those ways could be implemented in your life.

- 1. What does Paul and Sosthenes view themselves as in the beginning of this chapter?
- 2. What are they begging the Corinthians not to do?
- 3. What is the driving purpose of their not giving cause to any offense in their lives?

4. In vs. 4-5, Paul gives us a list of what he has endured for simply being a servant of God. List them (9).

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#### 5. In v. 6, he then compares that to what he has experienced in his walk with Christ. List them (9)

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#### 6. In vs. 8-10, Paul then responds with 9 inverse situations that he has been in. What are they (9)?

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- 7. What hasn't restricted the Corinthians?
- 8. What has restricted the Corinthians?
- 9. Why should we not be yoked together with an unbeliever? What does that mean in the first place?
- **10.** He then makes 5 contrasting statements about believers and unbelievers. Below, write "believers" and write underneath it what things pertain to believers. Then, beside it, write "unbelievers" and write their information underneath.

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11. As a result, what are we to do?

12. What does God promise to be?

- What is your attitude towards yoking with unbelievers?
- Pray for God to separate your heart from the values of this world.

- 1. What promises are spoken of in v. 1?
- 2. Because of these promises, how should we act?
- 3. Paul claims he is innocent of 3 things. What are they?
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- 4. Why did Paul have no rest in Macedonia?
- 5. Who does God comfort in this chapter?
- 6. How was Paul comforted?
- 7. What did the Corinthians have a zeal for?
- 8. Paul caused the Corinthians sorrow. What has that sorrow produced?
- 9. What are the 2 types of sorrow/grief in this chapter and what are their differences (list out all the things that each produce)?
- 10. What has made Titus care for them even more?

- Think about the times of recent that you have had sorrow. Which of those times led you closer to Jesus? Can you attribute those things to anything?
- Pray that every future sorrow will only lead you closer to Jesus.

- 1. Paul speaks of this "great thing" done in Macedonia that the Corinthians should also do. What is it?
- 2. What was the order of giving displayed by the Macedonians?
- **3.** What do the Corinthians abound in (5)?
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- 4. What are they challenged to abound in?
- 5. What were the Corinthians planning to do a year ago?
- 6. Paul then references Exodus 16. Where in Exodus 16 is this verse, and what is the context?
- 7. Did Titus come alone?
- 8. How were they to view Titus?

- Where do you give? Which ministries? What do you give?
- Make a list of all the money that goes to media, eating out, and buying clothes in a month (a rough estimate is okay), and compare to what you give to ministries.

1. Why did Paul send some brothers ahead of him?

2. When Paul says, "He who sows/plants bountifully/generously reaps bountifully/generously," what is this in regards to?

- **3.** What are the requirements of giving (3)?
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- 4. According to this chapter, whom does God love?
- 5. Paul then quotes Psalm 112. Which verse does he quote?
- 6. God, Who gives seed for sowing and bread for food, will increase the harvest of what?
- 7. The ministry of Paul is not only collecting for the saints, but also what?
- 8. What is God to be thanked for at the end of the chapter?

- Review the requirements for giving. Is this the condition of your heart?
- Pray that your giving would always be joy to you.

- 1. In what manner is Paul pleading with them?
- 2. Tell me 7 things about the weapons of our warfare.
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- 3. In the spiritual battle, what is the biggest object to capture?
- 4. So what is the spiritual battle over?
- 5. Even though Paul's letters were so strong and harsh, what was he like in person (2)?
- 6. What does Paul promise to those who have made fun of Paul's appearance?
- 7. What does Paul say is not wise?
- 8. If you're going to brag, brag about \_\_\_\_\_.

- How much time do you spend preparing yourself physically in the morning (shower included)? How much time is spent preparing spiritually?
- Start to plan out a consistent "quiet time" of prayer, the Word, and then more prayer.

- 1. What does Paul fear the Corinthians have been led away from?
- 2. How do the Corinthians react to false teachings?
- 3. What does Paul consider himself untrained in?
- 4. What did Paul do that he would call humbling himself?
- 5. Paul is not surprised that these false workers disguise themselves as workers for Christ. Why?
- 6. What will ultimately happen to them?

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7. (Vs. 24-28) when Paul goes on to boast in himself to qualify himself to the Corinthians, he boasts in his afflictions. What are they (at least 21 things)?

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- 8. If Paul must boast, what will he boast in?
- 9. What happened to Paul in Damascus?

# Application

- Paul, in this chapter, feared that the Corinthians had been led away from the simplicity that is in Christ. What would simplicity in Christ look like?
- Pray that your life would always be tethered to the simplicity that is in Christ, and pray that nothing would ever pull you from it.

- 1. Paul moves from boasting about infirmities to what?
- 2. (Vs. 2-4) Paul says he knows a man who was caught up into a place he calls 2 different things. What are they?
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- 3. When did this happen?
- 4. To keep Paul humble, he was given some form of infirmity. What did Paul call this infirmity (2)?
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- 5. When Paul asked God to remove it 3 times, how did God respond (2)?
- 6. Because Paul's weakness only helps perfect God's strength in him, Paul will endure these 5 things. What are they?
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- 7. What did Paul do there in Corinth that the apostles did elsewhere?
- 8. Paul is not asking for what the Corinthians have, but actually he is asking for \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- 9. What is Paul afraid of finding when he gets there (8)?
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# Application

• In this chapter, God used Paul's infirmity for good. What infirmity do you most commonly deal with?

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• Pray that God would show you the good that He is accomplishing in it.

- 1. How is every fact to be confirmed/established?
- 2. What are the Corinthians demanding of Paul?
- **3.** Paul starts to wrap up this letter by giving us 4 commands that, if done, "The God of peace shall be with them." What are those 4 commands?
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4. Finally, Paul identifies all 3 members of the Trinity, Each with something to offer. What is offered by whom?

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## Application

• As you look at the 4 commands for the peace of God's Presence, how many of those are common practices for you?

• Pray that those 4 things become your lifestyle.