

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

{Sunday, June 23, 2019 A.D.}

2 Corinthians 13:2-5

. . . ⁵ **Test yourselves** to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves!

Or do you not recognize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you — unless indeed you fail the test?

2 Corinthians 13:6-10

. . . ⁸ For we **can do nothing against the truth**, but only for the truth . . .

¹⁰ For this reason I am writing these things while absent, so that when present **I need not use severity**, in accordance with the authority which the Lord gave me for building up and not for tearing down.

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¹¹ **Finally, brethren,**

rejoice,

Luke 10:20

²⁰ "Nevertheless **do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you**, but **rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven.**"

1 Peter 1:3-9

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy **has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead**, ⁴ to obtain **an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you**, ⁵ who are **protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time**. ⁶ **In this you greatly rejoice**, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, ⁷ so that the proof of your faith, *being* more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ; ⁸ and **though you have not seen Him, you love Him**, and **though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory**, ⁹ **obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your souls.**

be made complete,

2 Corinthians 13:9

⁹ For we rejoice when we ourselves are weak but you are strong; **this we also pray for, that you be made complete.**

be comforted,

Revelation 20:11-15

¹¹ **Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it**, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and **no place was found for them**. ¹² And I saw **the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne**, and **books were opened**; and **another book was opened, which is the book of life**; and **the dead were judged** from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds. ¹³ And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and **they were judged, every one of them** according to their deeds. ¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And **if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.**

1 Thessalonians 1:8-10

⁸ For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith toward God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. ⁹ For they themselves report about us what kind of a reception we had with you, and **how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God**, ¹⁰ and **to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, that is Jesus**, who **rescues us from the wrath to come.**

be like-minded, live in peace; and

Philippians 2:1-8

¹ Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, ² make my joy complete by **being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.**

³ **Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves;**

⁴ **do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.**

⁵ **Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus,** ⁶ who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but **emptied Himself,** taking the **form of a bond-servant,** and being made in the likeness of men. ⁸ Being found in appearance as a man, **He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.**

the God of love and peace will be with you.

¹² Greet one another with a holy kiss. ¹³ All the saints greet you.

- † Commitment to a common body of essential beliefs (the faith that is produced by the Bible – not sterile cognitive knowledge).
- † Faithfulness to a common life of obedience.
- † Sharing a common love of God.
- † Sharing a common love of fellowman, especially, other believers (Created in the Image of God + Redeemed by the Cross of Christ).
- † Sharing a common – eternal destiny/treasure/purpose/Owner.
- † Sharing a common – Grace / Communion of the Body of Christ.

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