

# DAILY MANNA TOGETHER GO SEASON

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## The Pastor's Message

Brothers and sisters who have been believers for some time are familiar with the Great Commission that the resurrected Lord Jesus Christ gave before His ascension. The Lord Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18b-20) The Lord Jesus intends to use every follower who imitates Him—that is, you and me—to make disciples of all nations.

In the final four months of 2025, as we continue to grow in the Lord and live out His love, we will commit ourselves to becoming a church that fulfils the Lord’s mission. In September, we will have the Church School & Trinity Theological College Sunday and the church’s 128th anniversary celebration. The daily Bible reading and devotional passages will be taken from different books of the Bible. After that, we will study 2 Corinthians together.

2 Corinthians is a letter written by the Apostle Paul to the church in Corinth. It primarily addresses internal issues within the Corinthian Church and challenges to Paul’s apostolic authority, while also revealing the emotional ups and downs of Paul as a shepherd and his struggles and victories in his faith journey. 2 Corinthians is the most personally colored of Paul’s epistles, filled with his love, concern, admonition, and defence of the Corinthian Church. In this letter, Paul also expounds on the transcendence of the New Testament ministry, emphasizing service rooted in Christ, and refutes false teachers.

2 Corinthians also portrays Paul’s hardships and struggles as a pastor, as well as his authentic experience of God’s grace in the midst of suffering. Through metaphors such as the “vision of the third heaven” and the “thorn in the flesh,” it reveals the dialectical relationship between weakness in faith and divine grace, and how God’s power is manifested in weakness. We should all anticipate God speaking to our hearts through 2 Corinthians.

Following this, we will enter Advent. Let us prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, while also being reminded to stay vigilant and await His second coming. This season is also a time for reflection and repentance; believers need to sincerely repent and grow in love so that they may better prepare for Christ’s return.

May we all, before the end of 2025, grow deeper in our longing for the Lord during these four months, and as we watch and wait for Christ’s return, faithfully fulfil His mission!

## Introduction to the Book of 2 Corinthians

2 Corinthians was written when a rift developed between Paul and the church in Corinth. At that time, some members of the Corinthian Church were attacking Paul from all sides, but he continued to hope for reconciliation with them. Ultimately, he was able to reconcile with the Corinthian Church, and he expressed great relief at this outcome.

The entire letter is filled with intense emotion—sometimes love burns like a flame, sometimes sorrow weighs like a thousand-pound burden, and sometimes righteous indignation rages. Paul was a man of integrity, but the authenticity of his appointment as an apostle was questioned, which caused him great pain. However, he clearly understood that the attacks from his enemies were actually attacks on the gospel he preached (11:1-5). Therefore, he did not hesitate to make a vigorous defence.

### 1. **Date Written**

Approximately A.D. 55-57

### 2. **Place of Writing**

Macedonia. The specific location may have been Philippi. Paul was in the midst of his third missionary journey at the time, and after leaving Ephesus, he went to Macedonia, where he wrote this letter.

### 3. **Audience**

The church in Corinth and the saints throughout Achaia.

### 4. **Background**

Paul had already written three letters to the Corinthian Church (two of which have been lost). In 1 Corinthians (the second of the three letters), Paul used strong language to correct and instruct. The church generally responded with the right attitude; however, some denied Paul's authority and questioned his motives.

## **5. Purpose of Writing**

To address the situation in the Corinthian Church and resolve the issues. Paul expressed his concern and comfort for the Corinthian believers while also defending his apostolic authority and urging them to generously contribute to help the poor believers in Jerusalem.

## **6. Key Verse**

“Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ: Be reconciled to God!” (5:20)

## **7. Brief Outline of 2 Corinthians**

Chapters 1–7: The nature of Paul’s ministry as Christ’s servant

Chapters 8–9: Paul’s plans for the collection, highlighting the motives for Christian giving and the blessings received.

Chapters 10–13: Paul’s defence of his work. Paul’s boasting—a foolish act done under pressure—was intended to expose the false apostles.



## How To Practice Daily Devotions

God is a personal Spirit, and “Heavenly Father” is more than just a title—it reflects the deep reality that He is our loving and caring Father. Through the spiritual discipline of daily devotions, we come to know, communicate, and walk closely with Him.

Daily devotions involve setting aside specific times to draw near to God, to know Him, and to align with His will. Through reading the Bible, we come to understand His intentions, and we can respond to God in prayer and reflection. By dedicating time each day to read the Bible, pray, and meditate on God’s word, we allow God’s presence into our lives to guide us. Jesus often withdrew from the crowd and His disciples to commune with the Father in solitude, gaining strength and direction to fulfil His mission.

### I. The Purpose of Daily Devotions

- a. To draw closer to God and communicate with Him. In these end times, God calls us to be awake and alert, using His Word to sustain us. “I rise before dawn and cry for help; I have put my hope in your word. My eyes stay open through the watches of the night, that I may meditate on your promises.” (Psalm 119:147-148, NIV)
- b. To receive guidance and light for our lives. “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.” (Psalm 119:105, NIV)
- c. To renew our minds to live out our new life in Christ. By studying the scriptures, God’s servants are thoroughly equipped for every good work and taught to live righteously. “All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17, NIV)

## 2. Preparation for Daily Devotions

- **Time:** Select a time when you can be undisturbed and alone, whether in the morning or in the evening for reflection.
- **Place:** Find a quiet, distraction-free space where you can focus.
- **Materials:** Have your Bible, a notebook for recording reflections, and a pen ready.
- **Mindset:** Approach God with a calm and open heart, prepared to hear from Him and encounter Him.

## 3. Spiritual Discipline

Daily devotions as a spiritual discipline is not meant to be rigid or legalistic, just as our relationships with family members are not meant to feel burdensome. Time spent with our Heavenly Father should feel genuine and heartfelt. For those starting out, simple and practical methods can help cultivate meaningful spiritual habits and deepen our relationship with our Heavenly Father.

## Daily Scripture Readings

| Date  | Verses                        | Date  | Verses                         |
|-------|-------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|
| 13/10 | Luke 14:12-14                 | 7/11  | Luke 15:11-32                  |
| 14/10 | 1 Corinthians 12:21-26        | 8/11  | Weekly Reflection              |
| 15/10 | John 9:1-3                    | 9/11  | Sermon-2 Corinthians 5:11-6:13 |
| 16/10 | Isaiah 56:3-5                 | 10/11 | 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1         |
| 17/10 | Psalms 139:13-16              | 11/11 | 2 Corinthians 7:2-16           |
| 18/10 | Weekly Reflection             | 12/11 | 2 Corinthians 8:1-15           |
| 19/10 | Sermon-? ?                    | 13/11 | 2 Corinthians 8:16-24          |
| 20/10 | 2 Corinthians 3:1-6           | 14/11 | 2 Corinthians 9:1-15           |
| 21/10 | 2 Corinthians 3:7-11          | 15/11 | Weekly Reflection              |
| 22/10 | 2 Corinthians 3:12-18         | 16/11 | Sermon-2 Corinthians 6:14-9:15 |
| 23/10 | 2 Corinthians 4:1-6           | 17/11 | 2 Corinthians 10:1-6           |
| 24/10 | Ezekiel 36:24-28              | 18/11 | 2 Corinthians 10:7-11          |
| 25/10 | Weekly Reflection             | 19/11 | 2 Corinthians 10:12-18         |
| 26/10 | Sermon-2 Corinthians 3:1-4:6  | 20/11 | 2 Corinthians 11:1-6           |
| 27/10 | 2 Corinthians 4:7-12          | 21/11 | 2 Corinthians 11:7-15          |
| 28/10 | 2 Corinthians 4:13-18         | 22/11 | Weekly Reflection              |
| 29/10 | 2 Corinthians 5:1-5           | 23/11 | Sermon-2 Corinthians 10-13     |
| 30/10 | 2 Corinthians 5:6-10          | 24/11 | 2 Corinthians 11:16-21         |
| 31/10 | Rom 8:18-30                   | 25/11 | 2 Corinthians 11:22-33         |
| 1/11  | Weekly Reflection             | 26/11 | 2 Corinthians 12:1-10          |
| 2/11  | Sermon-2 Corinthians 4:7-5:10 | 27/11 | 2 Corinthians 12:11-21         |
| 3/11  | 2 Corinthians 5:11-15         | 28/11 | 2 Corinthians 13:1-14          |
| 4/11  | 2 Corinthians 5:16-21         | 29/11 | Weekly Reflection              |
| 5/11  | 2 Corinthians 6:1-10          | 30/11 | Sermon-Matt24:36-44            |
| 6/11  | 2 Corinthians 6:11-13         |       |                                |

**13/10**

(Mon)

## **Luke 14:12-14**

Jesus urges hosting the poor, crippled, lame, and blind (those who are unable to repay). This anticipates the gospel call to the outcast and needy. This mirrors God's generosity and grace to us, as we were spiritually bankrupt sinners unable to repay Him. This act of selfless compassion reflects the Imago Dei in all people and anticipates the reward that awaits us at the resurrection of the righteous.

Reflection: How can you practice a non-transactional love, inviting those who cannot repay you to the table?

Reflection



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14/10

(Tue)

## I Corinthians 12:21-26

Paul uses the body as a powerful metaphor for the church. He emphasizes that every member, regardless of their role, is indispensable. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you," nor can the head reject the feet. God has deliberately placed each part as He desired, ensuring there is no division. When one part suffers, all suffer, and when one is honored, all rejoice. This teaches us the value of interdependence and that every role in the church is vital to its health and unity.

Reflection: What is your unique role in the body of Christ? How can you use your gifts to serve others and to build up the church?

Reflection



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15/10

(Wed)

## John 9:1-3

Jesus challenges the common belief of Jews that suffering is always a direct result of personal sin. When His disciples ask who sinned to cause a man to be born blind, Jesus replies, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned... but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him." This profound statement reveals that God is sovereign over all circumstances, even affliction. He can use our trials to manifest His glory and purpose. This truth encourages us to shift our perspective from judging suffering as punishment to seeing it as a potential platform for God's power and mercy to be revealed.

Reflection: When facing a difficult trial, how can you look beyond the pain to see an opportunity for God's work to be displayed through you?

Reflection



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**16/10**

(Thu)

## Isaiah 56:3-5

God addresses two groups often excluded from Israel's community: foreigners and eunuchs. He offers a powerful message of inclusion, telling them they should no longer feel like outcasts. Foreigners who commit to the Lord and eunuchs who keep His covenant are promised a better "name and place" than sons and daughters. This shows that God's kingdom isn't limited by earthly status or lineage, but is open to all who are faithful. This prophecy finds its ultimate fulfillment in Christ, who broke down all barriers, welcoming everyone into God's family.

Reflection: What biases or prejudices might you hold that God's inclusive heart challenges you to let go of?

Reflection



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17/10

(Fri)

## Psalm 139:13-16

David marvels that God "knitted" him together in his mother's womb, crafting every part of his being with purpose and care. We are not cosmic accidents, but intentional creations who are fearfully and wonderfully made. This truth transforms our view of ourselves, replacing feelings of low self-worth with the reality that we are designed by a loving Creator. It also calls us to value and cherish others, as they too are God's unique and precious handiwork.

Reflection: How does understanding that you are fearfully and wonderfully made by God change the way you see yourself and others?

Reflection



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**18/10**  
(Sat)

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection

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**19/10**  
(Sun)

## Sunday Service: Matt 18:12; John 10:16

Sermon Topic: TBC

*"Be still, listen, and respond to God."*

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**20/10**  
(Mon)

## 2 Corinthians 3:1-6

Paul addresses his critics who demanded letters of recommendation. He counters by pointing to the Corinthian believers themselves, calling them "a letter from Christ... written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God." This shows that true ministry is validated not by human credentials, but by lives transformed by the Spirit. Paul emphasizes that his competence comes from God alone, not from himself. The Old Covenant Law exposes our sin, but only the Holy Spirit gives life. Ministry must be Spirit-empowered, trusting in God's sufficiency rather than human effort.

Reflection: Do you rely on your own abilities or on God's power to serve Him?

Reflection



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(Tue)

## 2 Corinthians 3:7-11

Here, Paul contrasts the Old Covenant, which was engraved on stone and brought condemnation, with the New Covenant of the Spirit. While the ministry of the Law had a fading glory (like Moses' shining face), it ultimately brought death. The ministry of the Spirit, however, brings life and righteousness. The glory of the New Covenant is not fleeting; it is a permanent and ever-increasing glory. This reminds us that we should not return to legalism, but instead embrace the transformative power of the gospel, which brings about righteousness found only in Christ alone.

Reflection: Do you find yourself striving to earn God's favour through your own efforts or resting in the ever-increasing glory of the new covenant?

Reflection



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(Wed)

## 2 Corinthians 3:12-18

Paul continues to contrast the fading glory of the Old Covenant with the enduring, transformative glory of the New. Because of the hope we have in Christ, we can speak with boldness and clarity, unlike Moses who veiled his face to hide the fading glory. For those whose minds are dulled by unbelief, a spiritual veil remains, but it is removed only in Christ when they turn to the Lord. This removal brings true freedom from the condemnation of the Law and the bondage of sin. Ultimately, this new reality leads to a continuous, Spirit-led process where believers are transformed into Christ's image, reflecting an ever-increasing glory.

Reflection: How does the freedom you have in the Spirit motivate you to boldly share the gospel with others, trusting that only He can remove the spiritual veil from their hearts?

Reflection



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23/10

(Thu)

## 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Paul declares that because of God's mercy, he maintains his ministry with complete integrity, rejecting all deceitful and manipulative practices. He acknowledges that if the gospel is "veiled," it's because the "god of this age" has blinded the minds of unbelievers who are perishing. This highlights the spiritual battle inherent in evangelism. The solution isn't human persuasion, but the clear proclamation of Jesus Christ as Lord. Just as God commanded light to shine out of darkness at creation, He makes the light of the gospel shine in our hearts, revealing the glory of Christ.

Reflection: Do you approach evangelism as a debate to be won, or as a spiritual battle that requires you to rely on the Holy Spirit to bring light to blinded hearts?

Reflection



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**24/10**

(Fri)

## **Ezekiel 36:24-28**

This passage offers a powerful prophecy of the New Covenant, which God establishes not based on humanity's merit but on His own faithfulness. He promises to gather His people from all nations and bring them back to their land. The core of this restoration is internal transformation. God promises to "sprinkle clean water" upon them to cleanse them from their sin and to give them a "new heart" in place of their old, stubborn one. Most significantly, He will put His "Spirit within" them, enabling them to live in obedience. This act of divine regeneration is a sovereign work of God, by which He makes His people capable of living a holy life and restores their relationship with Him.

Reflection: Do you find yourself trying to achieve righteousness through your own will, or are you depending on the Holy Spirit's power to live a life of obedience?

Reflection



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1/11  
(Sat)

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection

Reflection



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2/11  
(Sun)

## Sunday Service: 2 Corinthians 4:7-5:10

Sermon Topic: *The Ministry of Endurance: Treasures in Jars of Clay*  
“Be still, listen, and respond to God.”

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**27/10**

(Mon)

## **2 Corinthians 4:7-12**

Paul reminds us that we are like fragile jars of clay, yet we carry God's treasure within. Our weakness is not a flaw; instead, it reveals God's surpassing power. Though we are hard-pressed, perplexed, struck down, we are not destroyed. Ministry is not about displaying our strength, but allowing Christ's life to shine through our weakness.

Reflection: What weaknesses make you feel most helpless? Surrender them to God, that His power may be revealed in you.

Reflection



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**28/10**  
(Tue)

## 2 Corinthians 4:13-18

Faith is not based on what is seen, but on God's promises. The present sufferings, though heavy, are but "momentary and light" compared to the eternal glory that lies ahead. We must turn our eyes from the temporary to the eternal. Such hope enables us to remain undaunted in the midst of trials.

Reflection: What struggles tempt you to give up? Pray that God will help you see the future glory instead of the present pain.

Reflection



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**29/10**

(Wed)

## **2 Corinthians 5:1-5**

Our bodies are like temporary tents, weak and groaning. Yet God promises us an eternal dwelling and gives us the Holy Spirit as a guarantee. This assurance keeps us from despair and allows us to endure with hope.

Reflection: When you feel the fragility of life, how does the Holy Spirit comfort you? Let us thank God for His everlasting dwelling prepared for us.

Reflection



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**30/10**

(Thu)

## **2 Corinthians 5:6-10**

Because of our eternal hope, we can live with courage. Whether in this body or away from it, our goal is to please the Lord. One day, we must all appear before Christ's judgment seat, where our lives will be laid bare. This truth motivates us to live faithfully for Him.

Reflection: What area of your life needs to please the Lord more fully? Place it in His hands today.

Reflection



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**31/10**

(Fri)

## **Romans 8:18-30**

All creation groans, waiting for renewal. We too groan, longing for the redemption of our bodies. Yet the Spirit intercedes for us in our weakness, and God works all things together for the good of those who love Him. Therefore, suffering is never in vain but leads us toward God's glory.

Reflection: Knowing that God is sovereign over all things, what comfort does this bring you? Are you willing to rest in His perfect will?

Reflection



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3/11

(Mon)

## 2 Corinthians 5:11-15

Christ's love compels Paul to share the gospel. Because Christ died for all, we no longer live for ourselves, but for the risen Lord. Service is not out of compulsion, but motivated by Christ's love.

Reflection: What is your motivation in serving today? Ask the Lord to renew your heart and let His love drive you.

Reflection



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4/11

(Tue)

## 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

In Christ, we are made anew. God not only reconciled us to Himself but also entrusted us with the ministry of reconciliation. We are Christ's ambassadors, carrying His invitation to the world: "Be reconciled to God!"

Reflection: Who in your life needs to hear this message of reconciliation? Pray for the opportunity and courage to share it with them.

Reflection



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5/11

(Wed)

## 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Paul warns us not to receive God's grace in vain. Ministry often comes with hardships, endurance, labour, troubles, and sleepless nights, yet through the Spirit we are strengthened. Seemingly having nothing, yet possessing everything. True gospel witness is showing Christ in our weakness.

Reflection: How do you hold on to faith in trials? Ask the Lord to strengthen your witness in every circumstance.

Reflection



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6/11

(Thu)

## 2 Corinthians 6:11-13

Paul opens wide his heart to the believers, urging them not to withhold theirs, but to live in love. Those reconciled to God must also be reconciled with one another. The gospel restores not only our relationship with God, but also with people.

Reflection: Have you closed your heart toward someone? Ask the Lord for grace to open it, and live out Christ's love.

Reflection



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7/11

(Fri)

## Luke 15:11-32

The parable of the prodigal son reveals the Father's heart. He runs to embrace the repentant son and gently pleads with the self-righteous brother. Whether in rebellion or pride, both need the Father's love for restoration. God's arms are always open to every returning heart.

Reflection: Do you find yourself more like the younger son or the elder brother? Let us rest in the unconditional love of our Father.

Reflection



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8/11  
(Sat)

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection

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9/11  
(Sun)

## Sunday Service: 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:13

Sermon Topic: *Ambassadors for Christ*

*"Be still, listen, and respond to God."*

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10/11

(Mon)

## 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1

Paul warns believers not to be unequally yoked with unbelievers, reminding them that righteousness and lawlessness, light and darkness cannot be joined together. As God's temple, His people are called to be set apart, reflecting His holiness. This call to separation is about living in reverence for God and pursuing purity so that their lives are a true dwelling place for His presence.

Reflection: Are there relationships or influences in your life that weaken your devotion to God? How can you actively cultivate holiness in your daily walk with Him?

Reflection



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11/11

(Tue)

## 2 Corinthians 7:2-16

Paul appeals for the Corinthians to open their hearts to him again, expressing deep joy at the news of their repentance. Their sorrow was a godly sorrow that led to a life-giving change, marked by renewed zeal, obedience, and reconciliation. Paul's own heart is lifted as he sees the fruit of their repentance and the encouragement it brought to Titus. Genuine repentance, though painful at first, restores relationships and strengthens faith.

Reflection: How have you experienced godly sorrow leading to lasting transformation? Is there someone whose repentance or growth in faith has recently encouraged you?

Reflection



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**12/11**

(Wed)

## **2 Corinthians 8:1-15**

Paul points to the Macedonian churches as an example of extraordinary generosity, giving joyfully despite their own poverty. He urges the Corinthians to excel in this same grace, reminding them of Christ, who became poor so that they might become rich. Giving, therefore, is not about obligation but about willing hearts that reflect Christ's self-giving love. Paul encourages fairness, so that no one has too much and no one too little, embodying the spirit of mutual care within the body of Christ.

Reflection: How does Christ's sacrificial generosity inspire your own giving? Where might God be calling you to give willingly rather than out of duty?

Reflection



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**13/11**  
(Thu)

## 2 Corinthians 8:16-24

Paul commends Titus and the other brothers who are entrusted with carrying the offering. Their integrity ensures that the gift is handled in a manner that honours God and is beyond reproach in the eyes of others. Paul emphasizes that this act of service is not only about meeting needs but also about showing the sincerity of love in action. The Corinthians are urged to demonstrate their love tangibly, proving that their faith is more than words.

Reflection: Why does integrity matter so deeply in managing resources for God's work? How can you show your love in action this week, not just in words?

Reflection



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**14/11**  
(Fri)

## **2 Corinthians 9:1-15**

Paul encourages cheerful giving, reminding the Corinthians that generosity flows from God's abundant provision. God supplies all that is needed, enabling His people to abound in every good work. Such giving not only provides for others but also results in overflowing thanksgiving to God, turning practical generosity into spiritual worship. In this way, giving strengthens fellowship among believers and magnifies God's glory in the world.

Reflection: What is the attitude behind your giving? Is it out of duty, habit, or joy? How can your generosity lead others to thank and glorify God?

Reflection



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**15/11**  
(Sat)

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection

Reflection



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**16/11**  
(Sun)

## Sunday Service: 2 Corinthians 6:14-9:15

Sermon Topic: *Set Apart and Open-Handed*

*“Be still, listen, and respond to God.”*

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**17/11**

(Mon)

## **2 Corinthians 10:1–6**

Paul appeals with Christ's meekness and gentleness, contrasting true spiritual authority with worldly measures of power. The Christian life involves warfare, but the weapons are spiritual and divine, powerful to demolish strongholds and any opposition against the knowledge of God. Believers are called to bring every thought into submission to Christ, living under His authority with obedience and reverence.

Reflection: What thought patterns or attitudes do you have that need to be surrendered to Christ's authority? How do meekness and reliance on God's power work together in your life?

Reflection



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**18/11**  
(Tue)

## 2 Corinthians 10:7–11

Some criticized Paul as weak in person yet bold in his letters. Paul responds by affirming that his authority comes from the Lord and is meant to build up the church, not to tear it down. His life and words are consistent, showing that his ministry is genuine. Authority in Christ is not for self-promotion but for the encouragement and growth of others in faith.

Reflection: How do you ensure that your life and your words or belief are consistent? How can you use your influence to strengthen rather than discourage others?

Reflection



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**19/11**

(Wed)

## **2 Corinthians 10:12–18**

Paul warns against comparing ourselves with others, noting that such comparisons are unwise. Instead of measuring by human standards, believers are to boast only in the Lord. True commendation comes not from self-promotion or recognition by others, but from God Himself. Each person is called to be faithful to what God has assigned, trusting Him to bring the increase.

Reflection: In what ways are you tempted to compare yourself with others in ministry or life? How can you boast only in the Lord and rest in His commendation?

Reflection



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**20/11**

(Thu)

## **2 Corinthians 11:1–6**

Paul expresses concern that the Corinthians are being deceived by false teachers, much like Eve was deceived in the garden. He fears they may be led away from simple devotion to Christ. Paul reminds them that, though he may lack polished speech, the truth and knowledge he proclaims about Christ are genuine and trustworthy. Faithfulness to the gospel, not eloquence, is the true measure of a servant of Christ.

Reflection: What threatens to draw your heart away from simple devotion to Christ? Do you value appearances and eloquence more than faithfulness to the truth?

Reflection



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**21/11**

(Fri)

## **2 Corinthians 11:7–15**

Paul explains why he chose not to accept payment from the Corinthians, contrasting his sincerity with the deceit of false apostles. These impostors disguise themselves as servants of righteousness, just as Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. Appearances can deceive, but true ministry is marked by humility, integrity, and truth. Believers are called to discern carefully and hold fast to what is genuine.

Reflection: How do you guard yourself from being deceived by false appearances or teachings? What qualities show that someone is a true servant of Christ?

Reflection



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**22/11**  
(Sat)

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection

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**23/11**  
(Sun)

## Sunday Service: 2 Corinthians 10-13

Sermon Topic: *Power Made Perfect in Weakness*  
“Be still, listen, and respond to God.”

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**24/11**

(Mon)

## **2 Corinthians 11:16-21**

“I repeat” (v.16) refers to Paul having already asked the Corinthians to tolerate his “little foolishness” (v.1), and now repeating this request. The reason is that the Corinthians were too easily deceived by false apostles, forcing Paul to defend himself. Paul had many experiences before God, yet he never spoke of them lightly. For the work of the cross humbles one from boasting, lest people exalt him above the Lord in their hearts. Now he speaks because of the Corinthians' foolishness, stating, “ I say not as the Lord would” (v. 17). Paul declares, “I too will boast” (v.18). He uses his own boasting as a counterpoint to the false apostles, enabling the Corinthians to discern between genuine and counterfeit apostles. The false apostles covet payment, deceive, and arrogantly exalt themselves yet the Corinthians put up with them. This reveals the state of the Corinthian church that troubles Paul.

Reflection: Why do you think the Corinthians put up with the false apostles? What warning does this situation hold for you?

Reflection



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**25/11**

(Tue)

## 2 Corinthians 11:22-33

People typically evaluate themselves based on their accomplishments, but “servants of Christ” (v.23) demonstrates his faithfulness through the “labour” (v. 23) he endures for his Lord. Verses 23-27 describe Paul's objective suffering, while verses 28-29 reveal his subjective experience. When Paul says, “There is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches”, he does not speak of idle anxiety but of a shepherd's heart concerned for the church's welfare. Paul empathized with the weak not merely out of sympathy or anxiety for their failures, but because he knew his own frailty and unreliability—fearing he might one day stumble in the same way.

Reflection: Paul empathized with the weak because he knew his own weakness. Are you aware of your own weaknesses? How do you treat those who are weak? Do you show care for fellow believers?

Reflection



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## 2 Corinthians 12:1–10

“I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it.....” (v. 1) indicates that Paul did not wish to “boast,” but at this point, if he did not clarify his apostolic identity, he could not build up the church, for the apostles’ teaching was the “foundation” of the church (Acts 2:42; Eph 2:20).

Throughout his life, Paul experienced numerous manifestations and revelations from the Lord, including his calling on the Damascus road (Acts 9:3-8) and others. By speaking of his experiences in the third person (v. 2), he deliberately maintains a low profile. He seeks to distinguish between two Pauls: one is the new creation Paul, who has received the Lord’s manifestations and revelations, and the other is the Paul of the weak flesh (11:30; v. 5). Yet, the “weakness” in the flesh can lead us to turn to Christ.

The “thorn” in Paul’s flesh could refer to a physical ailment (Gal 4:15), spiritual weakness, character flaws, opposition from brothers, or persecution from circumstances—all causing pain and distress. The same “thorn” can be used by Satan to attack believers or by God to build them up, revealing ‘grace’ and “the power of Christ” in human weakness (v. 9).

Reflection: Whether the “thorn” attacks or builds us up depends on our understanding and submission to God’s will—whether we bow before circumstances or retreat to the Lord, looking to His mercy, accepting all He permits, and triumphing over circumstances through “the power of Christ” (v. 9). Do you have a “thorn”? How do you face it?

Reflection



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## 2 Corinthians 12:11-21

Verses 11-19: Paul expresses his feelings and defends his role as an apostle of Jesus Christ. His purpose is purely for the sake of the gospel, not for personal glory. He has never demanded anything from the Corinthians, yet some accuse him of “crafty and got the better of them by deceit”. Paul reiterates to the believers, “All for your upbuilding.” Verses 20-21: A list of sins is presented, committed by leaders who were supposedly full of spiritual gifts (8:7). Paul feared the sins of Corinth would infiltrate the church; he urged the believers to conduct themselves properly and await his arrival.

Reflection: Everything Paul did was for the sake of the gospel, yet the Corinthians accused him of “crafty and got the better of them by deceit”. How does Paul's experience touch you? Paul feared the sins of Corinth would infiltrate the church. Do we share similar concerns today?

Reflection



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**28/11**

(Fri)

## **2 Corinthians 13:1–14**

Paul declared that during his third visit to Corinth, he would no longer tolerate unrepentant sinners. He admonished them, “Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith..... For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth.” (vv 5a, 8). He longed for them to become mature Christians. Paul also urged the Corinthians to care for the church, to “Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace” (v. 11). The God of love and peace would be with them.

Reflection: Paul exhorted the Corinthian Church to constantly examine whether they were in the faith and to avoid anything that against the truth. Take time to reflect on your own situation and turn it into prayer.

Reflection



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(Sat)

## Weekly Spiritual Reflection

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**30/11**  
(Sun)

## Sunday Service: Matthew 24:36–44

Sermon Topic: *Wake Up: The Light Is Near*  
“Be still, listen, and respond to God.”

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Over two thousand years ago on that mountain in Galilee, before ascending into heaven, the Lord Jesus Christ commissioned the eleven disciples with the Great Commission: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18b-20)

Today, God also calls us to make disciples of all nations! As we enter the final four months of 2025, may the Lord help us to commit to the goal of establishing a church that fulfills His mission, and to give it our all!

| Date  | Topic   | Scripture               | Preacher             |
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| 19/10 | TBC   | 1 Peter 1:13-21         | Mr Joshua Khoo       |
| 26/10 | The Ministry of the Spirit: Ministers of the New Covenant             | 2 Corinthians 3:1-4:6   | Pr Tham Yong Zheng   |
| 02/11 | The Ministry of Endurance: Treasures in Jars of Clay                  | 2 Corinthians 4:7-5:10  | Ps Alvin Ong         |
| 09/11 | The Ministry of Reconciliation: Ambassadors for Christ                | 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:13 | Dr Paul Thng         |
| 16/11 | The Ministry of Holiness and Generosity: Set Apart and Open-Handed    | 2 Corinthians 6:14-9:15 | Mr Guan Yeow Kwang   |
| 23/11 | The Ministry of Christlike Leadership: Power Made Perfect in Weakness | 2 Corinthians 10-13     | Rev Lau Chong Yaw    |
| 30/11 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Advent: Wake Up: The Light Is Near                    | Matthew 24:36-44        | Rev Dr Niam Kai Huey |

