

SYLLABUS

WEEK #1 (July 3rd)

As We Transform, We Set Our Hope Fully On The God Of All Comfort (1:1-24)

WEEK #2 (July 17th)

As We Transform, We Are Led In Triumphal Procession (2:1-17)

WEEK #3 (July 24th)

As We Transform, We Serve As Letters Of Recommendation From Christ (3:1-18)

WEEK #4 (July 31st)

As We Transform, We Show That The Surpassing Power Belongs To God (4:1-18)

WEEK #5 (August 7th)

As We Transform, We Walk By Faith And Not By Sight (5:1-21)

WEEK #6 (August 14th)

As We Transform, We Serve As The Temple Of The Living God (6:1-7:1)

WEEK #7 (August 21st)

As We Transform, We Bear The Fruit Of Godly Grief (7:2-16)

WEEK #8 (August 28th)

As We Transform, We Give Ourselves First To The Lord And Then To Others (8:1-9:15)

WEEK #9 (September 4th)

As We Transform, We Boldly Engage In Spiritual Warfare (10:1-18)

WEEK #10 (September 11th)

As We Transform, We Remain Faithful In Sincere And Pure Devotion To Christ (11:1-33)

WEEK #11 (September 18th)

As We Transform, The Lord's Power Is Made Perfect In Our Weaknesses (12:1-21)

WEEK #12 (September 25th)

As We Transform, We Are Commanded To Examine And Test Ourselves (13:1-14)

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We Set Our Hope Fully On The God Of All Comfort
2 Corinthians 1:1-24

1. Don't just read over Paul's introduction of his audience. "To the church of God that is at Corinth, with all the saints who are in the whole of Achaia." What can we learn from 1:1?
2. Take a moment to appreciate and elaborate on the way Paul describes our Creator (1:3):
 - ▶ the God —
 - ▶ and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ —
 - ▶ the Father of mercies —
 - ▶ God of all comfort —
3. What is the difference between being a channel and a reservoir of God's comfort (1:4)?
4. In 1:5-9a Paul describes some very difficult personal afflictions and burdens. But in 1:9b he also reveals a powerful perspective of hope and confidence. What can we learn about the sovereignty and providence of God from 1:9b?
5. Practically speaking, what does it mean to "set our hope" on someone or something (1:10)?
6. What can we learn from 1:11 about how Paul viewed prayer and its power?
7. What does it mean to "behave in the world with simplicity and godly sincerity, not by earthly wisdom but by the grace of God" (1:12)?
8. What does Paul have in mind as he references "the day of the Lord Jesus" (1:14)?
9. What does Paul intend for us to grasp in his references to Jesus Christ (1:19-20)?
10. Paul's words in 1:21-22 are quite evidently full of rich gospel truth. What do they mean?