

August 11, 2024 | Pastor Keith Krell 2 Corinthians 12:14-13:14 | "Pass the Test"

## Sermon Application Review from 2 Corinthians 12:1-13

How did your suffering counteract conceit (12:7)? How did your weakness result in spiritual strength (12:9)? How did you express "delight" in your suffering (12:10)?

## **Scripture Reading**

2 Corinthians 12:14–13:14 John 13:34–35 Galatians 6:1–5 1 Corinthians 5:1–13 Matthew 7:1–5 Matthew 18:15–17 1 Corinthians 9:24–27

## **Study Questions**

- 1. What would it look like this week to "spend and be spent" for the souls of others (12:15a)? In what specific ways do you fulfill your ministry selflessly, joyfully, passionately, and patiently? How have you diligently built up the body (12:19)? Who do you respect as a spiritual bodybuilder? What has impressed you most about this believer?
- 2. In what ways do you struggle to receive correction from others (12:20–13:4)? How has God worked in your life through someone's loving rebuke? What are some ways you can actively seek correction in your life? When have you let people-pleasing tendencies keep you from speaking about a sin issue? How can you lovingly confront a brother or sister in humility and grace? Read Galatians 6:1–5.
- 3. Why is self-examination important to spiritual growth (13:5)? When have you last spent time in healthy self-examination? Which areas of your life are strong? Which need improvement? Has your examination of others been in the right spirit? How can you improve?
- 4. How are you growing in the closing exhortations of 13:11–13? Where can you improve? How is CBC growing in these areas? Where can we improve?
- 5. What are three key truths God has taught you through 2 Corinthians? What have you found most helpful? How would you summarize the message of 2 Corinthians in one sentence?

## **Recommended Reading**

Uche Anizor, Overcoming Apathy: Gospel Hope for Those Who Struggle to Care (Crossway, 2022) Francis A. Schaeffer, The Mark of the Christian (InterVarsity, 1970) Sam Allberry Why Bother with Church? (The Good Book Company, 2016) Jim Samra, The Gift of Church: How God Designed the Local Church to Meet Our Needs as Christians

(Zondervan, 2010)