

II CORINTHIANS



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READ

Read 2 Corinthians 13:1-14 and consider what lessons the Holy Spirit intends us to learn.

EXAMINE

- Paul concludes this letter in preparation for his third visit to Corinth. Summarize his point in verses 1-2.
- How do weakness and power (vv.3-4) relate to the Corinthians' sin that Paul is addressing?
- Paul Barnett says of verse 5, "The Corinthians were demanding 'proof' that the Christ was speaking through Paul; Paul now calls on them to 'prove' themselves to themselves." What is the test Paul challenges the Corinthians to pass?
- How would Paul's ministry be approved/validated if the Corinthians passed the test?e visits them. How does Paul's fear demonstrate the severity of unrepentant sin?

APPLY

- How should Paul's challenge to the Corinthians to "test yourselves" be applied today? What should you do if you test yourself and fail?
- Paul's love for the Corinthians drove him to call them to holiness and repentance. How does this teach Christians how to love one another well? What might it look like to confront sin in others in a loving and Christlike way?
- The commands in verse 11 can be summarized by one command: pursue unity. What can you practically do to pursue unity among those in your community?
- Reflect on the 2 Corinthians series as a whole. What are some of the big takeaways you have?

PRAY

- Pray for unity in the church. Ask God to bring to mind anyone in the church you may need to particularly pursue unity with.
- Pray that God would produce fruit in your lives in accordance with all that He's taught you in 2 Corinthians.

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