

II CORINTHIANS



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READ

Read 2 Corinthians 2:12-3:6 and consider what lessons the Holy Spirit intends us to learn.

EXAMINE

- How, specifically, are believers “the aroma of Christ”? What does this phrase mean?
- Explain how the gospel message brings about life and death according to verses 15-16.
- How has God made Paul (and other believers) “sufficient” for gospel ministry?
- What does Paul mean when he refers to the Corinthians as his “letter of recommendation”?
- Using Ezekiel 36:27 and Jeremiah 31:31-34 as references, what does Paul mean in 3:6 when he contrasts the letter and the Spirit?

APPLY

- If the Christian life is the aroma of Christ, does this mean that Christians should just focus on living like Jesus and not worry much about proclaiming the gospel? Why or why not?
- Often, Christians can struggle with a kind of feelings of inadequacy. How does God’s sufficiency equip us for ministry?
- How should the language of “covenant” inform and shape our approach to Christian community?
- An underlying theme throughout 2 Corinthians is that the gospel changes people’s lives. How has the gospel been changing you in this season of life?

PRAY

- Break up into small groups and praise God for some of the ways he has been transforming you through the gospel recently. Pray with each other that God would continue to fulfill his promise to do this. Share any relevant prayer requests of areas in your life where you desire/need gospel transformation.
- Break up into small groups and take turns praying for opportunities to share the gospel. Pray for specific people God has placed in your life, asking him to make you more and more of a Christlike fragrance.

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