

Sunday Sermon | Calvary Chapel Waterford
2 Corinthians 1:1-7 Sermon Outline
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Theme: Comfort in Suffering

1. Grace and Peace - Verses 1-2

- *Paul's calling comes from Jesus Christ by God's will.*
- *The church belongs to God.*
- *Grace and peace come from the Father and the Son.*

2. The God of All Comfort - Verses 3-4

- *Our Father is merciful and comforts us in our troubles.*
- *The comfort we receive equips us to comfort others.*

3. Suffering and Consolation - Verse 5

- *Following Christ brings suffering.*
- *Our consolation also abounds through Christ.*
- *Jesus knows the pain of loving those who cause suffering.*

4. The Salvation of Others - Verse 6

- *God works through Paul's suffering and comfort for others' salvation.*
- *His ministry serves both new birth and growth in Christ.*
- *Follow Christ faithfully, even when obedience costs you.*

5. Steadfast Hope - Verse 7

- *Those who share in suffering also share in consolation.*
- *God's children can confidently seek His help.*
- *Share Christ's comfort with someone who needs Him.*

Scripture Cross References (NKJV)

2 Corinthians 1:1-7

Acts 9:15: “...he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel.”

Romans 1:5: “...for obedience to the faith among all nations for His name”

2 Corinthians 12:15: “...the more abundantly I love you, the less I am loved.”

Matthew 23:37: “...How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!”

Luke 23:34: “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.”

Hebrews 4:16: “Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

Romans 8:18: “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”