



Heartened in Affliction By Glory to Come

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

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2 Corinthians 4:13 Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, [14] knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. [15] For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. [16] So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. [17] For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, [18] as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Application Questions

1 How has this sermon helped you handle trials and affliction in your life?

2 What is one thing you want to see change in your life based on this sermon?

3 What would you want your last words to be?

Sermon Outline

What we believe about the future directly impacts how we live in the present, especially related to trials and affliction.

- **Faith in Christ is the foundation for our life (13-14)**
- **Trials and Affliction serve to bring glory to God (15)**
- **A right view of the future impacts life now (16-18)**
 - *Spiritual over physical*
 - *Eternal glory over temporary affliction*

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

» **Missions Conference October 11 & 12:** It will start with a pot luck meal and a presentation by Patric Knaak on Saturday at 5:30 PM. (A-G: bring a main dish and a salad; H-P: bring a main dish and a vegetable; and Q-Z: bring a main dish and a dessert). On Sunday, Patric Knaak will be bringing the message at both services and Bob Heppe will be giving a presentation during Sunday School. Ben & Julie Jensen will be giving a presentation at the Sunday Evening Gathering at 6:00 PM.