

Lesson 13
Encouragement and Rebuke
2 Corinthians 7:2-16

I. Words of Encouragement (7:2-4)

A. The appeal for mutual love (7:2)

- Paul calls the Corinthians to open their _____.
- Paul pleads _____ in spite of the charges on some.

B. Not an issue of integrity but love (7:3)

- Paul did not state this to _____.
- Paul stated that the Corinthians were very much a part of _____.

C. Paul's confidence in them (7:4)

- Paul's love was _____ and his confidence in them was _____.
- He had pride and joy in them despite _____.

II. The Letter of Rebuke (7:5-16)

A. The report of Titus (7:5-7)

1. The condition in Macedonia (7:5)

- When Paul arrived in Macedonia, they found circumstances to _____.
- They had to deal with _____, as well as _____.

2. The comfort of Titus (7:6-7)

- Titus was able to bring comfort to Paul with news of the _____.

B. The affects of the severe letter (7:8-12)

1. Paul's feelings about the letter (7:8)

- Paul does not regret that the letter brought the Corinthians _____.
- Paul does regret that he had to _____.

2. Paul's joy concerning the letter's affect on the Corinthians (7:9)

- Paul rejoiced that the letter brought them to a _____.

3. The progression of repentance (7:10)

- Paul outlines the _____.
- _____ produces repentance.
- Repentance or a change of mind leads to _____.

Question: What are the positive indications and constructive results of godly sorrow?

- A worldly sorrow leads only to _____.
- Worldly sorrow does not progress beyond _____.

Question: What makes worldly sorrow so destructive?

4. The affect of the Corinthians (7:11)

- Paul calls them to pay attention to how they were _____.
- They were to recognize what godly sorrow produced in _____.

5. The purpose of the letter (7:12)

- Paul wrote the letter to benefit the Corinthians and their _____.

C. More comfort from the report of Titus (7:13-16)

1. Comfort and joy (7:13)

- Paul was _____ because of Titus' report concerning them.

2. Paul's report concerning the Corinthians (7:14)

- Titus confirmed _____ concerning the Corinthians.

3. Titus' feelings toward the Corinthians (7:15)

- Paul tells them that Titus has _____ for them.

4. Joy in confidence (7:16)

- Paul rejoices because he has _____ in Corinthians in everything.