

“A Relationship Worth Fighting For”

2 Cor 1-13

I. The Corinthian Correspondence

1 Corinthians = be unified with _____ !

2 Corinthians = be unified with _____ & the ministry of _____ !

II. The Corinthian Experience

A) Suffering Through Relational Strain

Remember: 1 Corinthians 4:15-16

1) Corinthians: don't think he is a good preacher - 2 Corinthians 10:10

2) Corinthians: think they are more spiritually gifted than him - 1 Corinthians 14:18

3) Corinthians: think Paul is inferior to 'super' apostles - 2 Corinthians 11:5-6

4) Paul knew relational strain in nearly every relationship - 2 Timothy 4:10; Philippians 1:15-17; 2 Timothy 1:15

The GOSPEL unearths _____ = Battle for Souls see Ephesians 6:12

B) Sharing Hard Truth

2 Corinthians 2:1-4, 7:8-9

C) Opponents Claimed he wasn't an Apostle Because of his Suffering

2 Corinthians 11:24-30 *but ... see Job 1:8 & Isaiah 53:11*

The Power belongs to _____ and not to _____ 2 Corinthians 4:4-7

D) Being Vulnerable

2 Corinthians 6:11-13 & 2 Corinthians 7:2-4

E) Envision Corinthians re: importance of giving see chapters 8-9

F) Competence Comes from God

2 Corinthians 3:4-6