**“The Fragrance of Life”**

**2 Cor 2:12-17**

**I. An Anguished Decision**

**A) Opened Door for Ministry**

**B) A Painful Decision**

**II. A Staggering Metaphor**

**A) Not What You Think**

1 Corinthians 4:8, 9-10

**● Word for “triumphal procession”** - *who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession* **-** strictly *celebrate a triumph, lead in a triumphal procession*; hence (1) of God's overcoming power *triumph over* (CO 2.15)

**B) Not What the Corinthians want to Hear**

Psalm 1:1-3

2 Corinthians 6:8-10

*“When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die.”* Deitrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship*

**C) Picture of the Gospel**

The upside down picture of victory!

Revelation 5:6-14

**D) We are Different**