25 July 2021 Be Encouraged 受到鼓励 2 Corinthians – Part 11 (2 Cor. 7:1-16) 哥林多后书-第 11 部分 (哥林多后书 7:1-16)

2 Corinthians 7:1-16 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. ²Open your hearts to us. We have wronged no one, we have corrupted no one, we have cheated no one. ³I do not say this to condemn; for I have said before that you are in our hearts, to die together and to live together. ⁴Great is my boldness of speech toward you, great is my boasting on your behalf. I am filled with comfort. I am exceedingly joyful in all our tribulation. For indeed, when we came to Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were troubled on every side. Outside were conflicts, inside were fears. ⁶Nevertheless God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus, ⁷ and not only by his coming, but also by the consolation with which he was comforted in you, when he told us of your earnest desire, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced even more.8For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it; though I did regret it. For I perceive that the same epistle made you sorry, though only for a while. Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing. ¹⁰For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death. ¹¹For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication! In all things you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter. ¹²Therefore, although I wrote to you, I did not do it for the sake of him who had done the wrong, nor for the sake of him who suffered wrong, but that our care for you in the sight of God might appear to you. ¹³Therefore we have been comforted in your comfort. And we rejoiced exceedingly more for the joy of Titus, because his spirit has been refreshed by you all. ¹⁴For if in anything I have boasted to him about you, I am not ashamed. But as we spoke all things to you in truth, even so our boasting to Titus was found true. ¹⁵And his affections are greater for you as he remembers the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling you received him. ¹⁶Therefore I rejoice that I have confidence in you in everything.

哥林多后书 7:1 亲爱的弟兄啊,我们既有这等应许,就当洁净自己,除去身体、灵魂一切的污秽,敬畏神,得以成圣。7:3 我说这话,不是要定你们的罪。我已经说过,你们常在我们心里,情愿与你们同生同死。7:4 我大大地放胆,向你们说话。我因你们多多夸口,满得安慰。我们在一切患难中分外地快乐。7:5 我们从前就是到了马其顿的时候,身体也不得安宁,周围遭患难,外有争战,内有惧怕。7:6 但那安慰丧气之人的神藉着提多来安慰了我们。7:7 不但藉着他来,也藉着他从你们所得的安慰,安慰了我们,因他把你们的想念、哀恸和向我的热心,都告诉了我,叫我更加欢喜。7:8 我先前写信叫你们忧愁,我后来虽然懊悔,如今却不懊悔,因我知道那信叫你们忧愁,不过是暂时的。7:9 如今我欢喜,不是因你们忧愁,是因你们从忧愁中生出懊悔来。你们依着一神的意思忧愁,凡事就不至于因我们受亏损了。7:10 因为依着神的意思忧愁,就生出没有后悔的懊悔来,以致得救;但世俗的忧愁是叫人死。7:11 你看,你们依着一神的意思忧愁,从此就生出何等的殷勤、自诉、自恨、恐惧、想念、热心、责罚(或作"自责")。在这一切事上,你们都表明自己是洁净的。7:12 我虽然从前写信给你们,却不是为那亏负人的,也不是为那受人亏负的,乃要在一种面前把你们顾念我们的热心表明出来。7:13 故此我们得了安慰。并且在安慰之中,因你们众人使提多心里畅快欢

喜,我们就更加欢喜了。7:14 我若对提多夸奖了你们什么,也觉得没有惭愧,因我对提多夸奖你们的话成了真的,正如我对你们所说的话也都是真的。7:15 并且提多想起你们众人的顺服,是怎样恐惧战兢地接待他,他爱你们的心肠就越发热了。7:16 我如今欢喜,能在凡事上为你们放心。

1. The Encouragement of <u>TITUS' ARRIVAL</u>籍着<u>提多的到来</u>受到鼓励

哥林多后书 7:1-6

2 Cor. 6:11 "O Corinthians! We have spoken openly to you, our heart is wide open." 哥林多后书 6:11 哥林多人哪,我们向你们口是张开的,心是宽宏的。

Some good principles displayed in these verses:在这些经文中显示了一些好的原则:

- A. Our spiritual family is PERMANENT 我们属灵的大家庭是永恒的(哥林多后书 7:3)
- B. Biblical joy is never a result of FAVOURABLE CIRCUMSTANCES 灵里的喜乐绝不是来自于有利的环境

哥林多后书 7:4.6

James 1:2 "My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials"雅各书 1:2 我的弟兄们,你们落在百般试炼中,都要以为大喜乐;

Ecc. 4:12 "Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him. And a threefold cord is not quickly broken."传道书 4:12 有人攻胜孤身一人,若有二人便能敌挡他;三股合成的绳子不容易折断。

Paul's distinction between two types of sorrow 保罗的两种忧愁的区别 (哥林多后书 7:10)

A. WORLDLY Sorrow 世俗的忧愁

One results in <u>REPENTANCE</u>, the other is <u>REGRET</u>一个结果是<u>悔改</u>,另一个是<u>后</u>

B. GODLY Sorrow 属神的忧愁

The Encouragement of THE CHURCH'S RECEPTION 籍着教会的接待受到鼓励 哥林多后书 7:13-16

Titus was overjoyed with he met up with Paul, but part of that joy was how he had been received at Corinth:提多见到保罗非常的欢喜,但其中一部分的欢喜是来自于他在哥林多教会所受到的接待

C. <u>FEAR</u> and <u>TREMBLING</u> 恐惧和战兢

1 Cor. 2:3 "I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling." 哥林多前书 2:3 我 在你们那里,又软弱,又惧怕,又甚战兢。

D. What makes God's servants <u>REJOICE</u> 什么可以使神的仆人欢喜 (哥林多后书 7:16) What made Paul rejoice? 什么使保罗欢喜?

Their obedience to THE WORD OF GOD 他们对神的话语的顺服

Heb. 13:17 "Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you."希伯来书 13:17 你们要依从那些引导你们的,且要顺服,因他们为你们的灵魂时刻警醒,好像那将来交账的人。你们要使他们交的时候有快乐,不至忧愁,若忧愁就与你们无益了。