

Paul's Experience with God 保罗经历神的同在

2 Corinthians 12 Part 16 哥林多后书 - 第十六部分

Conclusion of Paul's defence of his apostleship and his love for the believers in Corinth:

保罗为他的使徒身份和对哥林信徒的爱所做的辩护:

1. God HONOURED Paul (vs 1-6) 神纪念保罗

The Judaizers needed others to honour them. (2 Corinthians 3:1) 犹太人需要别人来尊重他们

哥林多后书 3:1 我們豈是又舉薦自己嗎？豈像別人用人的薦信給你們或用你們的薦信給人嗎？

- (a) Numerous SPECIAL VISIONS 有许多特别的异象
- (b) Majority of NT REVELATION 许多的新约启示
- (c) A special GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN 对天堂的特别看见

以弗所书 2:6 他又叫我們與基督耶穌一同復活，一同坐在天上，

2. God HUMBLED Paul (vs 7-8) 神使保罗谦卑

Sometimes we just don't know why we suffer in this life. 有时我们只是不知道为何会遭受苦难

- (a) Sometimes we suffer by JUST BEING HUMAN 有时我们仅仅因为身为人类而受苦
- (b) Sometimes we suffer through OUR FOOLISHNESS 有时我们是因为自己的愚蠢而受苦
- (c) Sometimes God uses it to BUILD CHARACTER 有时是神用苦难来塑造我们的品格

3. God HELPED Paul (vs 9-10) 神帮助保罗

God's message to him was one of GRACE - it is sufficient. 神的信息带给保罗的是恩典 - 足够的恩典

Sometimes God does not remove the affliction, but gives us His grace so that the affliction works FOR US and not against us.

有时神并没有除去苦难，而是将祂的恩典赐给我们，使苦难为我们工作，而不是针对我们。

Application: 应用

- 1. Pain HAPPENS 痛苦是会发生的
- 2. Pain has A PURPOSE 痛苦是有意义的
- 3. Pain has A POWER 痛苦是有力量的

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

I must go on boasting. Although there is nothing to be gained, I will go on to visions and revelations from the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know—God knows. ³And I know that this man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows— ⁴was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. ⁵I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. ⁶Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, ⁷or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me.

⁹But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me. ¹⁰That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

哥林多后书 12:10-10

2Co 12:1 我自誇固然無益，但我是不得已的。如今我要說到主的顯現和啟示。

2Co 12:2 我認得一個在基督裡的人，他前十四年被提到第三層天上去；（或在身內，我不知道；或在身外，我也不知道；只有神知道。）

2Co 12:3 我認得這人；（或在身內，或在身外，我都不知道，只有神知道。）

2Co 12:4 他被提到樂園裡，聽見隱秘的言語，是人不可說的。

2Co 12:5 為這人，我要誇口；但是為我自己，除了我的軟弱以外，我並不誇口。

2Co 12:6 我就是願意誇口也不算狂，因為我必說實話；只是我禁止不說，恐怕有人把我看高了，過於他在我身上所看見所聽見的。

2Co 12:7 又恐怕我因所得的啟示甚大，就過於自高，所以有一根刺加在我肉體上，就是撒但的差役要攻擊我，免得我過於自高。

2Co 12:8 為這事，我三次求過主，叫這刺離開我。

2Co 12:9 他對我說：「我的恩典夠你用的，因為我的能力是在人的軟弱上顯得完全。」所以，我更喜歡誇自己的軟弱，好叫基督的能力覆庇我。

2Co 12:10 我為基督的緣故，就以軟弱、凌辱、急難、逼迫、困苦為可喜樂的；因我什麼時候軟弱，什麼時候就剛強了。