

RESTORING THE WAYWARD

2 Corinthians 12:11-13:14

SELFLESS CONCERN

12:11-18

Because the Corinthians believed the false apostles' untrue claims,
Paul shared his own apostolic credentials again so they would know the truth.

Paul sought the hearts of the Corinthians, not their money.

Even false accusations against him did not deter Paul's commitment to the Corinthians.

Open wide your hearts to those who have _____ their way spiritually.

SACRED MOTIVES

12:19-21

Paul desired to strengthen the faith of the Corinthians, not exonerate himself.

The next time Paul opened the church doors, he hoped to find a unified congregation.

For the maturity of the church, Paul was willing to address any continuing sins.

Assess your motives _____ you approach those who need guidance.

SIN CONFRONTED

13:1-4

Paul prepared the Corinthians for his arrival by sharing his plans to purify the church.

Paul planned to deal biblically with the sins he found in Corinth.

Christ's power would be revealed when Paul confronted the rebellious members.

Develop caring relationships, be biblically _____, and help others in God's power.

SINCERE INTERCESSION

13:5-14

Living an obedient life in the Spirit of God was Paul's prayer for the Corinthians.

Paul asked God to bring restoration and the blessings of the Trinity to the church.

Diligently pray for the lost to be found and _____ their return.

1 Corinthians 9:1-2

Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you, for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

1 Corinthians 15:10

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

Galatians 6:1-2

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Ephesians 1:19-20a

...and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead...

Luke 15:22-24

But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

Psalms 103:8-12

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.