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On the cover: Ruins of the temple of Apollo at Corinth. Apollo was the Greek god of music, protector from dangers and illness, and symbol of masculine beauty. The temple was built about 540 B.C., and had thirty-eight columns. It was destroyed by the Roman general L. Mummius in 146 B.C. Paul told the Corinthians that they were the true temple of God, and the spirit of God dwelt in them. I Cor. 3:16

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## How To Use This Book

Welcome! We are happy that you are considering the study of II Corinthians—God's Word through Paul to brethren in Corinth, Greece (and also to you and me!). This book is like all other books from God: encouraging, enlightening, challenging; timeless in its principles and the application thereof.

You are interested—would you take a couple of minutes and read this section?

We'd like to do the following:

- a. explain the book a bit,
- b. outline and summarize the thirteen (13) lessons,
- c. encourage you to read the introduction.

The lessons:

1. Ch. 1:1-22
  2. Ch. 1:23 — 2:17
  3. Ch. 3:1-18
  4. Ch. 4:1-15
  5. Ch. 4:16 — 5:10
  6. Ch. 5:11 — 6:2
  7. Ch. 6:3 — 7:1
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8. Ch. 7:2-16
9. Ch. 8:1 — 9:15
10. Ch. 10:1-18
11. Ch. 11:1-15
12. Ch. 11:16 — 12:18
13. Ch. 12:19 — 13:14

In an effort to encourage you, may we suggest some points that are important in each lesson? Would you note the following ideas in each lesson, keeping in mind the overall theme of the book, and express aim within it. (Do check the outline in the introduction from time to time, OK?)

**Lesson 1, 1:1-22** — The comfort that comes from God, in spite of or because of any circumstance of life. The blessing of a clean conscience as one allows God to lead, and lives in that way.

**Lesson 2, 1:23 — 2:17** — Faith is individual, and voluntary. The body of Christians in a given place may need to discipline severely a member, keeping in mind the purpose of Satan, knowing that each member is God's representative of death and life.

**Lesson 3, 3:1-18** — God in Christ brought into being a new will (covenant, testament) that became effective at Jesus' death (Heb. 9:15-17). The infinite differences between the old will and the new will, with some of the effects of each.

**Lesson 4, 4:1-15** — The essence of the new will: Christ Jesus as lord, Christians as servants, earthen vessels with a heavenly treasure.

**Lesson 5, 4:16 — 5:10** — God's eternal home, prepared for those who love him and keep his commandments.

**Lesson 6, 5:11 — 6:2** — Paul as an apostle was God's ambassador of a new will. In a lesser but similar way, Christians represent God to men, working together to entreat all men everywhere, whether Christian or non-Christian, to be reconciled to God.

**Lesson 7, 6:3 — 7:1** — The apostles, as God's ambassadors, were subjected to much that men might accept the message of the new will. As members of Christ's body, Christians are to be members of it, not members of the "other" body.

**Lesson 8, 7:2-16** — The change of mind: the joy of it, the blessings in it.

**Lesson 9, 8:1 — 9:15** — An expression of Christian brotherhood from the brethren in the "west" to the brethren in the "east." Paul's special part in this special offering.

**Lesson 10, 10:1-18** — The aim of the Christian life: a mind totally enslaved to Jesus, no longer comparing by worldly standards, commending and commended by God's standards.



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**Lesson 11, 11:1-15** — Paul's description of the church as Christ's bride, and his true apostleship in contrast to some who were false apostles.

**Lesson 12, 11:16 — 12:18** — The marks of a true apostle as seen in Paul's life, summed up in a total dependence on God, man's weakness made complete by God's strength.

**Lesson 13, 12:19 — 13:14** — The ever-present need for self-examination in the Christian's life, the test being that of a true relationship with Jesus. The awesome fact that nothing man can do will change truth, especially as that truth is in Christ.

Please use each lesson well. Each section chosen has something specific all of us need. Use the comments and questions as you can but remember this: nothing written or said is in any way as important as what God has said. Know the text of II Corinthians — there is an infinite difference between knowing God's Word and knowing what some human said or wrote about it.

About the comments: they were written following the outline in the Introduction. The thirteen (13) lessons were chosen, as best we could, to give each lesson a distinct point or points. You will not have any problem — just be aware of the matter. You may ignore the lesson divisions, and use the book as a brief commentary if you wish.

May God bless!

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