

Comfort One another

2 Corinthians 1:3-11

- I. God is the God of Comfort. Vs. 3-4
 - a. God promises his followers comfort to all affliction.
 - b. Those afflicted 1 Corinthians 1:3-11 are afflicted as they are living for Christ.
 - i. If you are going to be afflicted do so living for Jesus.
1 Peter 3:14-22

- II. How does the God comfort? Vs.3-4
 - a. God gets the ultimate victory (1 Thess 4:17,18)
 - b. The word "Comfort" means "come along side and help".
 - i. Comfort doesn't mean- helping you be lazy, but rather empowering you in the work.
 - ii. Comfort does not mean removal of trials but sustaining through them.
 - iii. The word Comfort represents a description of the Holy Spirits role in your life. (Jn 14:16)
 - c. God works in His people to comfort vs. 5-7
 - d. God comforts us as we comfort others. Vs.5
 - i. As believers are serving in affliction God is comforting.
 - ii. It is in our own adversity we see Jesus for who he is.

- III. Paul's personal example of comfort.
 - a. You were not crated to do it alone. 2 Corinthians 1:8-11.
 - b. Not one of us will sign up for affliction, but God is showing you how to walk with him regardless of the circumstance.
 - c. In affliction, We need to know... #1 someone cares and #2 everything will be okay.
 - i. Paul had companions to help him. (Phil 4:18; Colossians 4:7)