

Study 7

Read 2 Corinthians Chapter 7

SUMMARY

Chapter seven begins with Paul summarizing his pleas to the Corinthians made in the previous chapter. Again he calls for spiritual purity, and for "hearts wide open" (1-3).

Paul returns now to a point where he left off in chapter two, his anxiety when searching for Titus (cf. 2:12-13). After arriving in Macedonia, he finds him and the report Titus has from the church in Corinth is a source of great comfort and joy to Paul. Indeed, even the manner in which Titus was received by the Corinthians filled Paul with joy (4-7).

The Corinthians had received a previous letter from Paul with much sorrow, but with a godly sorrow that led to true repentance. Paul could see that, and he wanted them to know it was only out of care for them he had written it (8-12). Thus, the way they had received Titus and Paul's letter, rendering quick obedience, gave Paul confidence in the Corinthians (13-16).

Questions:

- 1) Since the temple of God have the promise of being sons and daughters of God the father from what must we cleanse ourselves? (II Corinthians 7:1)

- 2) What must sons and daughters of God the father be perfecting? (II Corinthians 7:1)

- 3) There are two kinds of filthiness from which Christians must cleanse themselves. Name them. (II Corinthians 7:1)

- 4) What fear must be associated with cleansing from filthiness of flesh and spirit and perfecting in holiness? (II Corinthians 7:1)

- 5) What 3 reasons does Paul give the Corinthians when he wrote "receive us?" (II Corinthians 7:2)

- 6) To whom was Paul referring when he wrote "ye are in our hearts to die and live with you?" (II Corinthians 7:3)

- 7) What sort of speech does Paul use toward the Corinthians? (II Corinthians 7:4)

- 8) Paul used great boldness of speech toward the Corinthians. State what else was great toward them. (II Corinthians 7:4)

- 9) With what was Paul filled when he used great boldness of speech and great glorying toward the Corinthians? (II Corinthians 7:4)

- 10) Who wrote "I am exceedingly joyful in all our tribulation?" (II Corinthians 7:4)

- 11) When Paul arrived in Macedonia his flesh had no rest and he was troubled on every side. What was without and within? (II Corinthians 7:5)

- 12) Whose arrival in Macedonia comforted Paul? (II Corinthians 7:6)

- 13) Paul was not only comforted by Titus' arrival in Macedonia. What report caused Paul to rejoice the more? (II Corinthians 7:7)

- 14) What did Paul not do even though he had made the Corinthians sorry with a letter? (II Corinthians 7:8)

- 15) The Corinthians sorrowed to what because of Paul's letter to them? (II Corinthians 7:9)

- 16) What does godly sorrow worketh? (II Corinthians 7:10)

- 17) What does sorrow of the world worketh? (II Corinthians 7:10)

18) What was wrought in the Corinthians when they sorrowed after a godly sort? (II Corinthians 7:11)

19) How much did the Corinthians lack in clearing themselves when they sorrowed after a godly sort? (II Corinthians 7:11)

20) Paul wrote the Corinthians not for the cause of the one who did wrong, not for the one who suffered wrong but to prove what? (II Corinthians 7:12)

21) From what did Paul derive comfort? (II Corinthians 7:13)

22) Whose joy increased Paul's comfort? (II Corinthians 7:13)

23) What had Corinthians done for Titus? (II Corinthians 7:13)

24) Of what was Paul not ashamed? (II Corinthians 7:14)

25) What principle justified this boasting? (II Corinthians 7:14)

26) What caused Titus to have abundant inward affection for the Corinthians? (II Corinthians 7:15)

27) Five 2 words describing how the Corinthians had received Titus? (II Corinthians 7:15)

28) Paul's confidence in the Corinthians caused him to do what? (II Corinthians 7:16)

- 1) What are the main points of this chapter?

- 2) In view of the promises in the preceding chapter, what two things does Paul admonish us to do? (1)

- 3) What plea does Paul repeat that was made in chapter six? (2)

- 4) What was Paul's condition when he first came to Macedonia? (5)

- 5) How did God comfort him in Macedonia? (6-7)

- 6) What about the Corinthians' sorrow led Paul to rejoice? (9)

- 7) What is the difference between "godly sorrow" and "sorrow of the world"? (10)

- 8) Name seven things that demonstrated the Corinthians' godly sorrow (11)

- 9) Why had Paul written to the Corinthians? (12)

- 10) What gave Paul comfort and joy? (13)

- 11) What had served to increase Titus' affection for the Corinthians? (15)

- 12) What else gave Paul joy? (16)