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2 Corinthians 1-7

NT #36 — Be Ye Reconciled to God

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Paul's e

1st visit → Acts 18 (18 months)

1st letter → referred to 1 Cor. 5:9 (1st year Eph)
1st report of contentions (1 Cor. 1:11) (2nd year Ep)

2nd visit → painful visit (2 Cor. 2:1)

3rd letter → letter of tears (2 Cor. 1:3-4, 2 Cor. 7:8)

2nd Corinthians → from Philippi or Thessalonica in Macedonia?

3rd visit? (Acts 20:2-3 he spent time in Greece)
Saluted from members in Cor. in letter to Romans — Paul was like a parent to the church in Corinth.
(1 Ne 8:37)

Ch 1 → ~~all for vanity~~.

God's comforting overflows from believers to those they will in turn comfort. (v. 4-7)

Russell M. Nelson → Men's hearts shall fail them (Luke 21:25-26)

Be patient with yourself; perfection comes not in this life
(v. 8-10) → Paul despairs for his life

Ch 2

v. 14 God leads us triumphantly as captives in Christ to spread "the savour of his knowledge"

Paul is testifying of his worthiness to carry the message of Christ.

Ch 3 Ch 11 → other apostles who seem worthy by world's standard

No letter of recommendation needed for Paul: the Corinthians themselves are it!

~~explicitly~~ implicitly invokes Jer. 31 & Ezekiel

comparison of old & new covenants (testaments) v. 6 "able ministers" of NT

Ch 4

treasures in earthen vessels (Jer. 32:14, Dead Sea Scroll)

we, as believers

→ apostles, as not having earthly glory

Jesus, born in a manger, having no form nor comeliness

v. 10 we carry in our body the death of Jesus

Ch. 5

if our earthly "tent" is dismantled, we have a building from God (1 Cor. 3)
we desire to be taken from mortality to immortality
pride in the heart rather than in appearances

Ch 6 continuing his heartfelt plea that he is worthy and the Cor. need to accept that
be ye not unequally yoked (don't mix that which is holy w/ the unholy)

Ch. 7

make room for us in your hearts

I rejoice that my earlier rebuke led to godly sorrow, which produced repentance

Godly sorrow has nothing to do with being found out

- impossible ~~to fake~~ for a counterfeit sorrow to lead to real change

- Men in stroke conf. who gave talk about addiction