

"Serving with God"

Grace Infused
II Corinthians 6:1-10

Serving that involves:

I. Difficulty – "in labors, in watchings, in fastings" (vs. 1-5)

The difficulty of our:

- A. Task "Giving no offense in any thing"
- B. Tests "in all things approving ourselves"
- C. Tumults "in tumults, in labors"
- II. Deference- "all things are become new" (vs. 6-8)

TOOLS

The deference to the:

- A. Spirit "by the Holy Ghost"
- **B.** Scripture "by the Word of truth"
- C. Supernatural "by the armor of righteousness"
- III. Defamation "reconciling the world to himself" (vs. 8-10)

 TESTIMONY

The defamation that attacks our:

- A. Sincerity "as deceivers yet true"
- B. Specialness "as unknown, and yet well known"
- C. Success "possessing all things"

Sentence Sermon

"The grace of God enables us to forbear and love others."

Additional Verses

- > Isaiah 49:6-8
- Luke 4:18-21
- > Galatians 3:1-6; 5: 16, 22
- > Romans 11:6; 12:9
- > I Thessalonians 2:2
- > II Timothy 2:19; 4:2
- > James 4:7; 5:10
- > Colossians 3:12
- > Ephesians 4:2; 5:18; 6:11
- > Acts 16:19-23; 18:3-4
- > Philippians 2:16
- > I Corinthians 15:2

Questions to Ponder

- 1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
- 2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
- 3. How would you describe the grace mentioned in verse 1?
- 4. How can we extend grace to those we come in contact with?
- 5. What kind of offense causes "the ministry to be blamed?"
- 6. What is the hardest conditions for you to deal with in verses 4 and 5?
- 7. What is your strong point and weak point in the attributes in vs. 6&7?
- 8. What is the most hurtful thing people sometime accuse you of?
- 9. Which is your favorite paradox from verses 9 and 10?
- 10. What person has demonstrated grace towards you in the past? Explain.