

# 2 Corinthians



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**“Life Lessons from a Godly leader”**

**2 Corinthians 4:7-18**

**1. Get over yourself and  
people will see God in you**

***But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. 2 Corinthians 4:7***

**Earthen vessels – Gk  
- ostrakinos skeuos**

**2. Life has challenges, how  
we respond is our choice**

**8We are hard pressed on every side,  
but not crushed; perplexed, but not  
in despair; 9persecuted, but not  
abandoned; struck down, but not  
destroyed. 2 Corinthians 4:8-9**

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***“It doesn’t matter how great the pressure is; what really matters is where the pressure lies. Whether it comes between you and God or presses you nearer his heart”***

***Hudson Taylor***



*6lf we distressed, it is for your comfort and*

**3. Our weakness demonstrates  
God's strength and life**

**10We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. 2 Corinthians 4:10-12**

**11For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body. 12So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you. 2 Corinthians 4:10-12**

**4. Trust God today and  
anticipate His goodness  
tomorrow**

**13It is written: “I believed; therefore I have spoken.” Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak, 2 Cor. 13-14**

**14because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself.**

**2 Corinthians 4:13-14**

**5. Spiritual strength will carry  
you further than physical  
strength**

**15All this is for your benefit, so that  
the grace that is reaching more and  
more people may cause  
thanksgiving to overflow to the  
glory of God.**

**2 Corinthians 4:15-16**



**16 Therefore we do not lose heart.  
Though outwardly we are wasting  
away, yet inwardly we are being  
renewed day by day.  
2 Corinthians 4:15-16**

**6. What we do today will  
echo in eternity**

**17For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 2 Corinthians 4:17**

**7. We will find what we look  
for in life**

**18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. 2 Cor. 4:18**

## **Personal application:**

- **Which of the Apostle Paul's godly advice was most important to you?**
- **What is your takeaway today and plan of action?**