



Sunday Morning Message for October 1, 2017 by Ray Reynolds

Saints Can Find Hope In Manifestation (II Corinthians 4)

Introduction: The church in Corinth had many problems. The letters we call "I & II Corinthians" are only part of Paul's correspondence to this church family. The second letter reveals that the first letter was well received. The "saints" of God in Corinth realized that not all hope was lost. In this second letter, we can see several things that gave the church hope. This chapter is about accepting Paul's advice and putting it into action. Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. Do NOT Lose Heart (vs.1-6)

- We can reap with the right persistence (**Luke 18:1-8**).
- We can reap in the right season (**Galatians 6:9**).
- We can reap in the right situations (**Ephesians 3:13**).
- We can reap with the right people (**Hebrews 10:24-25**).

II. Do NOT Lose Perspective (vs.7-12)

- We must renew our minds (**Romans 12:2**).
- We must give up things daily (**I Corinthians 15:31**).
- We must take every thought captive (**II Corinthians 10:5**).
- We must die with Christ (**Galatians 2:20**).

III. Do NOT Lose Faith (vs.13-18)

- We need true conviction (**I Corinthians 4:13**).
- We need true comfort (**I Corinthians 4:14**).
- We need true compassion (**I Corinthians 4:15**).
- We need true courage (**I Corinthians 4:16**).

Conclusion: Hopefully, we will not grow weary or lose heart. We need to have hope. Paul said, "*And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart*" (**Galatians 6:9**). Do you have hope? It should be manifested in your heart, mind and soul. Are you filled with hope? Are you ready to reap blessings? Will you share hope with others?