2 Corinthians 1-3

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1 The Father of Mercies and God of All Comfort

2 Corinthians 1:3–11

- Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation,.
- That we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.
- We had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God who raises the dead,.
- You also helping together in prayer for us,.

2 All the Promises of God in Him Are Yes

2 Corinthians 1:12–22

- We conducted ourselves in the world in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God.
- As God is faithful, our word to you was not yes and no.
- For all the promises of God in him are yes, and in him Amen, to the glory of God through us.
- God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

3 Forgive and Comfort Him

2 Corinthians 1:23–2:11

- Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy, for by faith you stand.
- Out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.
- You ought rather to forgive and comfort him, lest perhaps such a one be swallowed up with too much sorrow.
- Lest Satan should take advantage of us, for we're not ignorant of his devices.

4 The Fragrance of Christ

- Thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of his knowledge into every place.
- For we are to God the fragrance of Christ, among those who are being saved, and among those who are perishing.
- We are not, as so many, peddling the word of God, but as from God we speak in the sight of God in Christ.

5 You Are Our Epistle, Ministers of the New Covenant

2 Corinthians 3:1–6

- You are our epistle, written in our hearts, known and read by all men.
- Written not with ink, but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone, but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart,.
- Our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant,.
- Not of the letter, but of the spirit, for the letter kills, but the spirit gives life.

6 The Ministry of the Spirit More Glorious

2 Corinthians 3:7–18

- If the ministry of condemnation had glory, the ministry of righteousness exceeds much more in glory.
- For if what is passing away was glorious, what remains is much more glorious.
- When one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.
- We all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory,.

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