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Worship Service
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COMPELLED: Taking the Gospel to the World

Lesson Three • 2 Corinthians 4:13-18

Unseen Realities

Prayer for the New Year

May the love of Christ COMPEL us to take the gospel to the world in 2026.

For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that One has died for all, therefore all have died; and He died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised. 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

We Do Not Lose Heart

How can we keep from losing heart when affliction comes as a result of taking the gospel to the world?

Hold on to the UNSEEN REALITIES that are available to every believer in Jesus Christ.

Unseen Realities for Not Losing Heart

Unseen Reality #1: A Resurrection PROMISE

In the Same Spirit of Faith

Be willing to SPEAK UP about Jesus knowing that we will be RAISED UP with Jesus (v. 13-14).

Unseen Reality #2: A Worthy PURPOSE

Our Purpose on Earth

We exist for the sake of MORE PEOPLE knowing the grace of God and giving thanks to the glory of God (v. 15).

Unseen Reality #3: A Renewing POWER

Another Reason We Don't Lose Heart

Our OUTER SELF is wasting away, but our INNER SELF is being renewed day by day (v. 16).

Unseen Reality #4: An Eternal PERSPECTIVE

More Reasons We Don't Lose Heart

- We see an eternal GLORY at the end of suffering (v. 17).
- We focus on an eternal REALITY that is unseen (v. 18).

We Might Wonder: "Is It Worth It?"

Are these "light momentary afflictions" for the sake of the gospel worth it?

Taking the gospel to the world will often involve affliction but be sure of this: eternity will PROVE it was worth the price.

Let Us Resolve

To set our hope on the resurrection to come, aim our lives toward the purpose of seeing God glorified everywhere, trust in His daily renewal, and keep our eyes on eternity, knowing these afflictions serve to prepare for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison.