Let Our Fragrance Enliven

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Bible text: 2 Corinthians 2:14-16

I. OUR PROMISE OF TRIUMPH

<u>2 Corinthians 2:14</u> "Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place."

Paul's use of the word "triumph"

"The idea is borrowed from an ancient Roman triumph, which to the eyes of the world of that day was the most **glorious** spectacle which the imagination could conceive." – F.B. Meyer

A closer look at 2 Corinthians 2:14

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2. ".. in every place"

II. OUR PRIVILEGE OF INFLUENCE

The extent of this aroma: "... by us in every place.." (2 Cor. 2:14)

How do we emit this savour?

1. Corinthians 10:31 "..whether, therefore, ye eat or drink, or whatsoever you do, do all to the glory of God."

III. OUR PLEASING AROMA

2 Corinthians 2:15-16 "For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish. To the one we are the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life. ANd who is sufficient for those things?"

We are a fragrance of Christ to God.

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2. We are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are saved and among those who are	e perishina
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IV. OUR POWER IN GOD

Paul asks the rhetorical question: "And who is sufficient for these things?" (2 Corinthians 2:16)

Read 2 Corinthians 3:4-6

"And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us able ministers of the new testament.."

CHRIST leads the triumph. I don't.