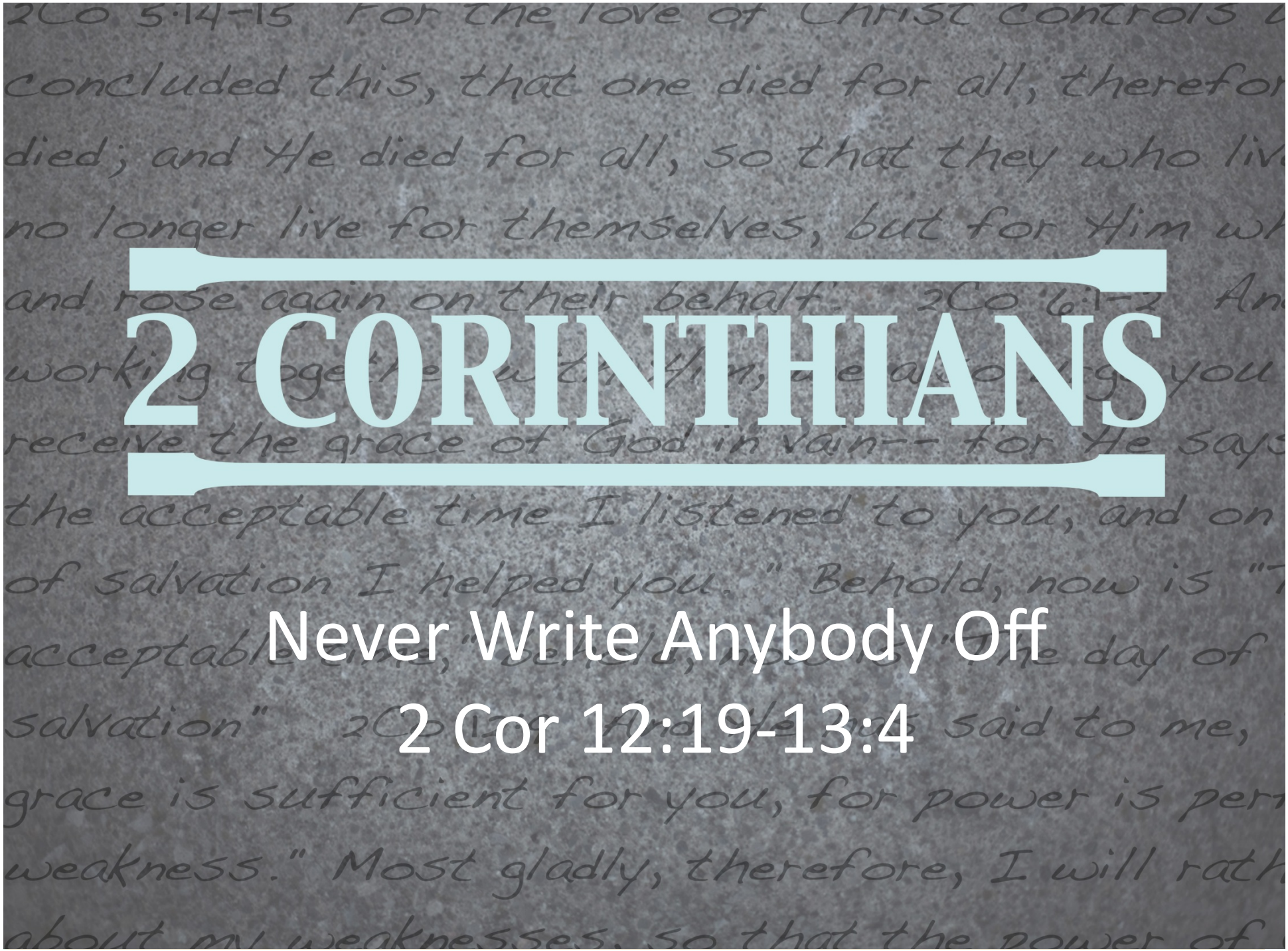
2 CORINTHIANS
Never Write Anybody Off
2 Cor 12:19-13:4

Purpose: To build up the body of Christ by maintaining purity in the Church:

1. Great concern over the unrepentant (12:19-21)
2. Intention to confirm each situation (13:1)
3. Intention to confront sin by God's power (13:2-4)

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(2Co 12:19-21 NASB)

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Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from **all** filthiness of the flesh and spirit, **perfecting** holiness **in the fear of God**.
2 Co 7:1

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Confirm Each Situation

This is the third time I am coming to you. EVERY FACT IS TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE TESTIMONY OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES.

(2 Co 13:1 NASB)

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Confronting Sin by God's Power

I have previously said when present the second time, and though now absent I say in advance to those who have sinned in the past and to all the rest *as well,* that if I come again I will not spare *anyone,* since you are seeking for proof of the Christ who speaks in me, and who is not weak toward you, but mighty in you. For indeed He was crucified because of weakness, yet He lives because of the power of God. For we also are weak in Him, yet we will live with Him because of the power of God *directed* toward you.

(2Co 13:2-4 NASB)

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