2 Corinthians Series: “Learning to Lean on God”
“Striving for Holiness”
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Introduction:
A. If _______ on our _________ are not a laughing matter, how much more serious are _______ on our ________?
B. In today’s text, Paul addresses one of the great challenges we face—how do we maintain a level of ___________ in an _________ world?

I. Understanding the Word
A. Many commentators see today’s section in 2 Corinthians as a major ________________.
B. Far from being a digression, these verses play a strategic role in Paul’s ongoing apologetic of his __________ and __________.
C. The text raises two important questions:
   1. What does it ________ to be _________ together?
   2. Who are the ____________ that Paul has in mind?
D. The principle Paul was communicating is that there are certain things which are fundamentally ____________.
E. I believe that the unbelievers Paul had in mind were his ___________ at Corinth.

II. Applying the Word
A. Why Should We Strive for Holiness?
   1. Because _______ is ___________. (Rev. 4:6,8; 1 Jn. 1:5)
   2. Because we are _________ to be ___________. (1 Pt. 1:15,16)
B. What is Holiness?
   1. It is not an attempt to be ________ from _________ people.
   2. It is an attempt to be ________ from that which is ________, and _______, and to be set apart for God.
C. How Can We Strive for Holiness?
   1. It takes ____________.
   2. It is a ________________.
   3. It requires ________________.
   4. It must be one of our highest ________________.