

# Studies in

# 2 Corinthians



Lesson X

**Text:** 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 (NKJV)

**1** We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. **2** For He says:

“ In an acceptable time I have heard you,  
And in the day of salvation I have helped you.” [a]

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

**3** We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed. **4** But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, **5** in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; **6** by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, **7** by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, **8** by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; **9** as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; **10** as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

## Discussion Questions

1. Let's unpack the phrase “workers together with Him” (vs. 1a). What did this mean to the Corinthians? What is the significant to us today?

2. Adding to this thought, Paul pleads with the Corinthians “not to receive the grace of God in vain” (vs. 1b). Practically speaking, what does it mean to receive the grace of God “in vain”? How do we keep from doing that ourselves?
  
3. “Behold, \_\_\_\_ is the accepted time; behold, \_\_\_\_ is the day of salvation.” (vs. 2). If this is true, why do so many people put off obeying the Gospel call?
  
4. According to verses 3-10, how can we have a ministry that makes a difference? List as many insights as you can. Now how do we apply them within the context of this church’s ministries?

