FULL RESTORATION

2 Corinthians 12:11–13:14

Key Verse: 13:11

1. How does Paul summarize what he had just written? (12:11–13) What does he tell the Corinthians to help them understand his true intentions? (14–19) What does he mean by “strengthening”? What does this tell us about Paul?
2. List the three main groups of things of which Paul is afraid (20,21). What characterizes the second group? (20b) What is Paul’s hunch about what is causing all the problematic behavior in Corinth? (21) What should we learn from this?
3. How does Paul warn the Corinthians, and what does he mean? (13:1,2) What does he say about Christ’s way of working through his servants, and how would these words help them? (3,4)
4. What three kinds of “test” does Paul want the Corinthians to go through, and why? (5–7) Why was Paul praying for them like this, and what truth is he talking about? (8) What else does he say about his goal for them? (9b) How does this guide what Paul writes and how he uses his authority? (10)
5. Read verse 11. How can the Corinthians, and we, do these things? (11) How does this illustrate what Paul means by “fully restored”? (9b) How does Paul encourage them to practice this? (12,13) Read verse 14. What does this verse teach us about how spiritual restoration is possible?