

II Corinthians 5:11-6:10 God Compels Us

5:11-6:10 READ

vs 11

adequacy

"fear of the Lord"

II Cor 10:18 who affirms you?

Prov 27:2 *"let another praise you"*

6:4 commended by God

accountability

"fear of the Lord"

"we persuade men"

"we work hard to persuade" NLT

4:12 *"death"*; 4:15 *"for your sake"*; 4:16 encouraged; 4:17 *"affliction"*

5:9 *"pleasing"*; 5:10 give an accounting

vss 13-17

Christ's love compels us

vs 14 *"controls"* NAS, ESV, NLT, RSV

"constrains" KJV

"compels" NIV

"urges", *"grips"*, *"drives"*, *"presses"* = various

Grk = *"seized"*, *"gripped"*

"afflicted" II Cor 4:8

vs 13 no matter how we are perceived, God compels

God overwhelms us

1) to reconcile sinners

vs 11 *"persuade men"*

vs 14 *"died for all"*

vs 16 *"recognize no man"*

2) to minister to the saints

vs 12 *"answer to those"*

vs 13 *"it is for you"*

vs 15 *"no longer live for themselves"*

vss 12-17

think spiritually

be like us, who do not live by appearances

vs 7 *"we walk by faith, not by sight"*

4:18 temporal vs. eternal

10:7 *"outward"*

vs 14 *"all are dead"*

vs 13 it may look like craziness to you

vs 15 we desire all to live for Christ

vs 16 we see everyone as eternal souls

vs 17 *"new creature"*

5:18-21

ministry of reconciliation

vss 18-19 God reconciled all men to Himself

vs 19 *"committed to us the word of reconciliation"*

4:7 *"this treasure"*

2:16 *"who is adequate?"*

vs 20 *"be reconciled to God"*

vs 21 *"become"* = alien righteousness (Luther)

6:1-2

the urgency of the gospel

vs 1 *"working together with Him"*

3:12 *"this hope makes us bold"*

4:1 *"God's mercy encourages us, drives us"*

vs 2 the time is now

6:3-10

we're answerable to God

vs 3 not discredit

5:10 we must all appear

6:4 commended by God

vss 4-5, 8-10 suffering for Christ

vss 6-7; 1:12 doing battle in purity