

Why Do God's People Experience Affliction?

2 Corinthians 1:3-11

- 1. All praise be to God who comforts us. (vs. 3-7)**
GOD COMFORTS US SO THAT WE CAN COMFORT OTHERS.
BELIEVERS ARE TO SHARE IN SUFFERING AND COMFORT.
IN ALL THINGS WE ARE TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD.
- 2. Paul and Timothy's suffering (vs. 8, 9a)**
BURDENED BEYOND THEIR OWN STRENGTH.
DESPAISED OF LIFE ITSELF.
FELT THE SENTENCE OF DEATH.
- 3. God's deliverance (vs. 9b, 10)**
PURPOSE IN SUFFERING - RELY ON GOD NOT OURSELVES.
LESSON IN SUFFERING - HE DELIVERED US AND WILL DELIVER US.

THREE TAKEAWAYS:

**YOUR LIFE IMPACTS OTHERS.
RELY ON GOD AND TRUST HIM.
WE ARE TO HELP EACH OTHER IN PRAYER.**