



*Today's Topic: A Mission of Forgiveness
2 Corinthians 2:4-11
Sunday, October 17, 2021*

1. Victory over _____

“For I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my _____ for you. If anyone has caused grief, he has not so much grieved me as he has grieved all of you to some extent—not to put it too severely.” 2 Corinthians 2:4-5

2. Victory over _____

“The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient. Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be _____ by excessive sorrow. I urge you, therefore, to reaffirm your love for him.” 2 Corinthians 2:6-8

3. Victory for _____

“Another reason I wrote you was to see if you would stand the test and be _____ in everything. Anyone you forgive, I also forgive.” 2 Corinthians 2:9-10a

4. Victory over _____

“Anyone you forgive, I also forgive. And what I have forgiven—if there was anything to forgive—I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake, in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his _____.” 2 Corinthians 2:9-10a

The Point:

Next Steps: How will we up our forgiveness game?

Reminder: Check out our Discipleship Essentials

Discussion Questions:

1. Have you ever personally experienced the power of forgiveness? If so, share that experience with the group.
2. Why is forgiveness sometimes difficult?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 2:4-8. Why does Paul want the church to forgive the one who caused grief in their community?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 2:9-11. What benefit will come to the church if they do forgive?
5. What truth from this study will you think about and try to apply throughout the coming week?