

2 Corinthians 1:12-2:13

Explaining integrity - relying not on fleshly wisdom but on God's grace (v12)

Explaining writing – that you understand us (v13-14)

Explaining original travel plan – relying not on fleshly wisdom (v15-17)

But on God's faithfulness (v18-22)

God as witness (v23a)

[Now] Explaining reasons for changing plan – sparing you (v23b)

Our ministry intention – promote your joy (v24)

Explaining reasons for changing plan – sparing our grief (v1)

Our grief & gladness (v2)

Explaining writing – to spare our grief and promote your joy (v3)

Explaining writing – to communicate love (v4)

Clarifying the grief caused (v5)

The sufficient punishment (v6)

The comfort required to prevent excessive grief (v7-8)

Explaining writing – to test obedience (v9)

The forgiveness required (v10)

To prevent Satan outwitting us (v11)

1. Our integrity is grounded in the integrity of God (1:12-22)

2. Our ministry is emotionally-careful – working for joy (1:23-2:11)

- a. Emotionally engaged
- b. Corporately concerned
- c. Rightly proportioned
- d. Spiritual warfare