"Godly Sorrow" 2 Corinthians 7:1-16 4/02/23

Q1. In verse 1, "Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God," what does it mean in the context? And how can we apply it to our lives?

Q2. In verse 2, "Open *your hearts* to us. We have wronged no one, we have corrupted no one, we have cheated no one," what does it mean? And what can we learn from here?

Q3. In verse 10, "For godly sorrow produces repentance *leading* to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death," what does it mean? And what can we learn from here?

(Background for context of this text on Daily Bible Reading and Studying Weekly Book Basis)

In the last time, in 2 Corinthians 6:16-18, "And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: 'I will dwell in them. And walk among *them.* I will be their God, And they shall be My people.' ¹⁷ Therefore 'Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you.' ¹⁸ 'I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty,'" all the Christians are one body of Christ, one universal holy church on the earth, not unholy ecumenical church. God is holy and so you should be holy, separated from the world, not isolated from the world, because all Christians are of heaven, not of the world but in the world. God the Father says we are His sons and daughters separated from the world. What a beauty! Even if we live in the world, we are of heaven, not of the world (*Palm Sunday to Easter Chart Enclosed*)

TEXT: NKJV [KJV]

Inductive **Explanation** in context & syntax

¹ Therefore, having <u>these promises</u> , beloved, let us <u>cleanse ourselves</u> from all filthiness of the flesh and <u>spirit</u> , <u>perfecting holiness in the fear</u> of God.	1= Q1 the promisescleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God (Have the promises in the last 2 Corinthians 6:16-18 – as one universal holy church, (1) separate from the world and don't touch the unclean thing , (2) and then God becomes your Father, (3) and then you are God's sons and God's daughters; Cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit or all the worldly things such as the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life; So let us (1) turn away from all filthiness – nothing filthy status and then (2) give ourselves to God alone with the hope of ourselves just as He is pure when we see Him. That's perfecting holiness in the holy fear of God or in the awe of God 1 John 2:16; 1 John 3:2-3; Lev $19:2^{1}$)

¹ *1 John 2:16* For all that *is* in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world; *1 John 3:2-3* Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. ³ And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure; *Lev 19:2* Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: 'You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God *am* holy.

² <u>Open <i>your hearts</i> to us</u> . We have <u>wronged no one</u> , we have <u>corrupted no one</u> , we have <u>cheated</u> <u>no one</u> .	2= Q2 Open your hearts to uswronged no one corrupted no onecheated no one (Here, Paul talked by himself a little about his good points truly. Paul said he was a true minister of God to you, not a false minister, together with his co-ministers such as Timothy and Titus, not wronging/corrupting/cheating others – nothing for dishonest gain such as money, power, and glory. Like Moses' public statement before Korah's rebels; Samuel's public statement when he anointed Saul the king; Paul's several statements about (1) manifestation of the truth in the sight of God; (2) humbly preaching the gospel free of charge to you; (3) not burdening you but seek you the bride of Jesus, not your possession; and (4) let no man think me a fool; yet if you might think me as a fool at these statements about me, receive me as a fool, so that I may boast myself a little <i>1 Peter 5:2; Numb 16:15;</i> <i>1 Sam 12:3; 2 Cor 4:2; 2 Cor 11:7-9; 2 Cor 12:14; 2 Cor 11:16</i> ²)
³ I do <u>not say <i>this</i> to condemn; for</u> I have said before that <u>you are in our</u> <u>hearts, to die together and to live</u> <u>together</u> . ⁴ <u>Great <i>is</i> my boldness of</u>	3=not say this to condemn; foryou are in our hearts, to die together and to live together (The verse 2 which Paul said is not to put you down, but his heart for you as he is ready to live with you or to die with you. That's the expression for his Agape love to you)
<u>speech</u> <u>toward</u> <u>you</u> , great <i>is</i> <u>my</u> <u>boasting on your behalf</u> . I <u>am filled</u> <u>with comfort</u> . I am <u>exceedingly</u> <u>joyful in all our tribulation</u> . ⁵ For	4= Greatmy boldness of speechmy boasting on your behalf. I am filled with comfortexceedingly joyful in all our tribulation (I am speaking so boldly and so boasting what God is working to you, that I am comforted and very joyful even in all tribulation to me & my co-ministers such as Timothy and Titus)
indeed, when we came <u>to</u> <u>Macedonia</u> , <u>our bodies</u> had <u>no rest</u> , but we were <u>troubled on every side</u> . <u>Outside were conflicts</u> , inside were	5= indeedto Macedonia, our bodiesno resttroubled on every side . Outsideconflicts, insidefears (While Paul was ministering in Troas, God was working but many troubles were outside conflicts and inside fear, because Titus didn't come back until Paul departed for Macedonia <i>2 Cor 2:13</i> ³)
fears. ⁶ Nevertheless God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus,	6=God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus (Despite many troubles, God comforted the discouraged or depressed Paul in the ministry further by Titus' coming back. Here, we tend to elevate those in the Bible to the super saint status, but all of these men cleaved to God were used so mightily by God and so they were no different natures from us; e.g., Elijah, Moses, Jeremiah, or Paul's natures like ours. James 5:17; Exo 4:10-11; Jeremiah 1:6-7; 2 Cor 6:8-10 ⁴)

² 1 Peter 5:2 Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; *Num* 16:15 Then Moses was very angry, and said to the LORD, "Do not respect their offering. I have not taken one donkey from them, nor have I hurt one of them; 1 Sam 12:3Here I am. Witness against me before the LORD and before His anointed: Whose ox have I taken, or whose donkey have I taken, or whom have I cheated? Whom have I oppressed, or from whose hand have I received any bribe with which to blind my eyes? I will restore *it* to you; 2 Cor 4:2 But we have renounced the hidden things of shame, not walking in craftiness nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God; 2 Cor 11:7-9Did I commit sin in humbling myself that you might be exalted, because I preached the gospel of God to you free of charge? ⁸ I robbed other churches, taking wages from them to minister to you. ⁹ And when I was present with you, and in need, I was a burden to no one, for what I lacked the brethren who came from Macedonia supplied. And in everything I kept myself from being burdensome to you, and so I will keep *myself; 2 Cor* 12:14 Now for the third time I am ready to come to you. And I will not be burdensome to you; for I do not seek yours, but you. For the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children; 2 *Cor* 11:16I say again, let no one think me a fool. If otherwise, at least receive me as a fool, that I also may boast a little.

³ 2 Cor 2:13 I had no rest in my spirit, because I did not find Titus my brother; but taking my leave of them, I departed for Macedonia.

⁴ James 5:17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months; *Exo* 4:10-11 Then Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I *am* slow of speech and slow of tongue." ¹¹ So the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes the mute, the deaf, the seeing, or the blind? *Have* not I, the LORD?; *Jeremiah* 1:6-7 Then said I: "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak, for I *am* a youth." ⁷ But the LORD said to me: "Do not say, 'I *am* a youth,' For you shall go to all to whom I send you, And whatever I command you, you shall speak; *2 Cor* 6:8-10 by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers,

⁷ and <u>not only by his coming</u> , but also by <u>the consolation</u> with <u>which</u> <u>he was comforted in you</u> , when he told us of <u>your earnest desire</u> , <u>your</u>	7=not only by his comingby the consolationhe was comforted in youyour earnest desire, your mourning, your zeal for meI rejoiced even more (Paul was comforted. And further he said that I rejoiced more not only by Titus' coming back but also by the good report about your earnest desire to seek the Lord, things of the Lord, and His word, by your mourning over the problems, failure, the weakness of flesh, and sins in the 1 st Corinthians epistle, and your much agape love for Paul)				
<u>mourning</u> , <u>your zeal for me</u> , so that <u>I rejoiced even more</u> . ⁸ For <u>even if</u> I <u>made you sorry with my letter</u> , I <u>do</u> <u>not regret it</u> ; <u>though I did regret it</u> . For I perceive that <u>the same epistle</u>	8= even ifmade you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it; though I did regret itthe same epistle made you sorryonly for a while (The 1 st epistle to correct or rebuke your wrongs made you sorry or mourning, that I regretted. But now I do not regret because it was a temporary sorry or mourning over the wrongs)				
<u>made you sorry</u> , though <u>only for a</u> <u>while</u> . ⁹ Now <u>I rejoice</u> , <u>not</u> that you were <u>made sorry</u> , <u>b</u> ut that <u>your</u> <u>sorrow led to repentance</u> . For you were made <u>sorry in a godly manner</u> , that you might <u>suffer loss from us in</u> <u>nothing</u> .	9= Now I rejoicenotmade sorry butyour sorrow led to repentancesorry in a godly mannersuffer loss from us in nothing (Many people are sorry only for the effects of the wrongs without change; but here Corinthians Christians were temporary sorry or mourning over the wrongs before God, in the consciousness of the present God, in the presence of God, or in a godly manner – not before men – followed by repentance for forgiveness of God; So, nothing loss might be for us from the godly sorrow or mourning over the wrong before God – not worldly sorrow or flesh sorrow before men)				
 ¹⁰ For <u>godly sorrow produces</u> <u>repentance <i>leading</i> to salvation,</u> not to be regretted; but <u>the sorrow</u> <u>of the world</u> produces <u>death</u>. ¹¹ For <u>observe this very thing</u>, that you <u>sorrowed in a godly manner</u>: What <u>diligence</u> it produced in you, <i>what</i> <u>clearing</u> of yourselves, 	10= Q3godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvationthe sorrow of the worlddeath (Repentance is a synonym of regret; Peter and Judas both were sorrow over each wrong against Jesus, followed by repentance or regret. Only difference is godly manner, before God, or in the presence of God, over flesh manner, before men; Peter's sorrow before the Lord or in the consciousness of the present Lord was restored to faith and service in growth – progressive salvation or sanctification, while Judas' sorrow before men took his own life – the sorrow of the flesh, before himself and others, results in death; Note sorrow or sorry before God, not before men, is crucial because human heart is deceitful, desperately wicked, and so let God alone search our heart like David, i.e., sorrow, sorry, or mourning in the consciousness of the present God is the substance which is of Christ <i>Mat</i> 26:74-75; <i>Mat</i> 27:3-5; <i>Jer</i> 17:9; <i>Psalm</i> 139:23-24 ⁵)				
what <u>indignation</u> , what <u>fear</u> , what <u>vehement</u> <u>desire</u> , what <u>zea</u> l, <u>what vindication</u> ! In all <u>things</u> you <u>proved</u> <u>yourselves</u> to be clear in <u>this matter</u> .	11=observe this very thingsorrowed in a godly mannerdiligenceclearingindignationfearvehement desirezealvindication proved yourselves to be clear in this matter (After the verse 10, the sorrow in a godly manner or the godly sorrow was followed by that (1) your diligent service to the Lord and His sheep; (2) a clearing of the wrong, mistake, or sin issue in your own mind, in your own life; (3) indignation or great anger against the wrong; (4) holy fear of awesome God; (5) vehement or strong desire to please God and to glorify God; (6) zeal to change accordingly like Christ; (7) forgiveness of the wrong in the presence of Christ through His vindication against Satan the ruler of this world; These things proved yourselves to be clear in this wrong matter 2 Cor 2:5-11; Eph 6:12 ⁶)				

and yet true; ⁹ as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; ¹⁰ as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things ⁵ Mat 26:74-75 Then he began to curse and swear, saying, "I do not know the Man!" Immediately a rooster crowed. ⁷⁵ And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times." So he went out and wept bitterly; Mat 27:3-5 Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, ⁴ saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." And they said, "What *is that* to us? You see *to it!*" ⁵ Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself Jer 17:9 The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?; Psalm 139:23-24 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; ²⁴ And see if *there is any* wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting.

⁶ 2 Cor 2:5-11 But if anyone has caused grief, he has not grieved me, but all of you to some extent—not to be too

¹² Therefore, although I wrote to you, <i>I</i> did not do it for the sake of him who had done the wrong, nor for the sake of him who suffered wrong, but that our care for you in the sight of God might appear to you.	12=wrote to younot do it for the sake of himthe wrong, not for the sake of him who suffering wrong, butour care for you in the sight of Godto you (Paul wrote this letter, not for the wrongdoer or for the victim because Paul and his co-ministers were God's ministers to you – we are caring for you in the sight of God, without wrong or leaven <i>Gal 5:9; 1 Cor 5:6</i> ⁷)
¹³ Therefore we have been <u>comforted in your comfort</u> . And we <u>rejoiced exceedingly more</u> for <u>the</u> joy of Titus, because <u>his spirit has</u> <u>been refreshed by you all.</u>	13= Thereforecomforted in your comfortrejoiced exceedingly morethe joy of Titushis spirit has been refreshed by you all (Therefore, when you were comforted by the Lord at the ministry, we have been comforted; And we so much rejoiced to see Titus who had been joyful in all of your changed lives like Christ)
¹⁴ For <u>if in anything</u> I have <u>boasted</u> <u>to him about you</u> , I am <u>not</u> <u>ashamed</u> . But as we spoke <u>all</u> <u>things to you in truth</u> , even so <u>our</u> <u>boasting to Titus</u> was found <u>true</u> . ¹⁵ And <u>his affections</u> are <u>greater for you</u> as he remembers <u>the obedience of you</u> <u>all</u> , <u>how with fear and trembling you</u> <u>received him</u> .	 14=if in anythingboasted to him about you not ashamed All things to you in truthour boasting to Titustrue (I am boasting what God is working in you to Timothy and what God's working in Timothy to you; those are true, not shameful; i.e. the Spirit is amazingly working among all His ministers and His sheep) 15=his affectionsgreater for youthe obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling (Titus' love is more abundant toward you, as Titus remembers your obedience to the word of God with fear and trembling.)
¹⁶ Therefore I <u>rejoice</u> that I <u>have</u> confidence in you in everything.	16= Thereforerejoicehave confidence in you in everything (Thus, Paul rejoices upon his confidence in your all things)

Note: Most Christians say the Bible is important, but rarely study every word in the Bible and commit it to the Lord. So, it's better to study it and live accordingly after the Spirit for the Lord (2 Tim 2:15). This online word for global crusade in effect develops from the expositional sermon (KJV), into spiritual transformation in daily love fellowship with the Lord throughout the Bible Study (NKJV) -- *All Scripture Expositional Study from verse by verse Inductive Studies* -- of which application is the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation, closer to the image of Christ. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Bible is the Bible per se. But the opinion to make us understand God's Word is acceptable (*2 Corinthians 10:5*)." Further, for the application, a life or spiritual experience might be helpful to understand how to apply an understood word in the text column, but it is temperately used like Paul, because nobody should think above that actual experience (2 Cor 12:6, Jeremiah 23:28). *All quotations are taken, except King James Version (KJV), from New King James Version (NKJV),* ©1982 by Thomas Nelson, Inc. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

severe. ⁶ This punishment which *was inflicted* by the majority *is* sufficient for such a man, ⁷ so that, on the contrary, you *ought* rather to forgive and comfort *him*, lest perhaps such a one be swallowed up with too much sorrow ⁸ Therefore I urge you to reaffirm *your* love to him. ⁹ For to this end I also wrote, that I might put you to the test, whether you are obedient in all things. ¹⁰ Now whom you forgive anything, I also *forgive*. For if indeed I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ, ¹¹ lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices; *Eph 6:12* For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places... ⁷ *Gal 5:9* A little leaven leavens the whole lump.; *1 Cor 5:6* Your glorying *is* not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?

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<u>https://www.calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/OnlineSermon2023.htm</u> "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1). Who can be against the Word (λόγος LOGOS or the written word, i.e., the

Bible)?

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The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Universal Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

*It (390 AD, before the birth of Catholic church about 500 AD) is a reference to understand "the principles of the doctrine of Christ" in Hebrews 6:1-2 and 2 John 1:9, not the Bible per se. The "Holy Universal" doesn't mean "Unholy Ecumenical."

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From Palm Sunday (4/02/23) to Easter (4/09/23) Jesus Is Risen!

Christ(C)'s Death & Resurrection (*Our vs Jewish calendar)										
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wee	d	Thu	Fri	Sun			
MORNING Triumphal Entry in Jerusalem [Palm Sun] EVENING	Cleaning Temple	1.Question of C's Authority 2. Widow's two mites offering	Woman's anointing C at Bethany		1. Washing feet of 12 disciples 2. Last Supper; 3.Prayer in Gethsemane	Sanhedrin + Pilate + Herod + Pilate **C's crucifixion (9 AM) Noon (Darkness) About 3 PM (Passed away) C's Burial	*** Res urre ctio n [Eas ter]			
Mon (2 nd)	Tue (3 rd)	Wed (4 th)	Thu (5 th)		Fri (6 th)	Sat (7 th)	Mon			
CROSS- REFEREN CES Mt 21:1-11	Mt 21:12-17 Lk 19:45-48	Lk 20:1-8 Mt 21:23-27 Lk 21:1-4	Judas' betrayal in heart Mt 26:6-7 Mk14:3-9 Mk 14:10- 11 Lk 22:1-6 Mt 26:14-16 Jn 13:1-2		C's arrest C's trial (Annas + Caiaphas + Peter's denial) Jn 13:3-30 Lk 22:7-23 Mk 14:12-26 Mt 26:26-30	(+ 1 day: Double Sabbaths) Lk22:66-71 Lk 23:1-7 Lk 23:8-25 Mt 27	Lk 24:1 Mt 28:1			
Lk 19:28- 40; Jn 12:13					Lk 22: 39-45 Mk 14:27-42 Mt 26:36-46 Lk 22: 47-71 Mt 26:47-75 Mk 14:43-72	Mk 15:25 Lk 23:50-56 Jn 19				
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3 rd hour" Mark 15:25 is 9 AM; "the 9 th hour" Matthew 27:46 is 3 PM): A Jewish month in Jewish lunar calendar + about 3 months = our month			nth	(1) (2) (3)	Passover (Crucifixion) 3 days (Burial + Resurrection) 40 days (Resurrected C's teaching on earth; Acts 1:3; C's ascension, Acts 1:9)					
** 7 statements on the cross (1) Luke 23:34 (2) Luke 23:43 (3) John 19:26-27				(4) 2.	,					
(4) Matthew 27:46 (5) John 19:28 (6) John 19:30				(1) (2) (3)	Luke 24:10; Matthew 28:9 Luke 24::34-35 John 20:27 Mark 16:14					
(7) Luke 23:46				(4) (5)	1 Corinthians 15:5-8					

Christ(C)'s Death & Resurrection (*Our vs Jewish calendar)

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⁸ See <u>http://www.churchyear.net/pentecost.html</u> - Different time "10 days after Christ's ascension"