

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, September 27, 2020

Sermon Scriptures

2 Cor. 12:1 1 ¶ Boasting is necessary, though it is not profitable; but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord.

Col. 2:18 Let no one **keep defrauding you of your prize** by delighting in self-abasement and the worship of the angels, **taking his stand on visions he has seen**, inflated without cause by his fleshly mind,

Acts 26:16 ‘But get up and stand on your feet; for this purpose I have appeared to you, to appoint you a **minister and a witness** not only to the things which you have seen, **but also to the things in which I will appear to you;**

2 Cor. 12:2-5 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago — **whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know**, God knows — **such a man was caught up to the third heaven.** 3 And I know how such a man — whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, **God knows** — 4 **was caught up into Paradise** and heard **inexpressible words**, which a man is not permitted to speak. 5 **On behalf of such a man I will boast**; but on my own behalf I will not boast, except in regard to *my* weaknesses.

2 Cor. 4:17 For momentary, light affliction is producing for us **an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison,**

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2 Cor. 12:6 For if I do wish to boast I will not be foolish, for I will be speaking the truth; **but I refrain from this**, so that **no one will credit me with more than he sees in me** or hears from me.

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2 Cor. 12:7-10 7 Because of **the surpassing greatness of the revelations**, for this reason, **to keep me from exalting myself**, there was given me **a thorn in the flesh**, a messenger of Satan to torment me — **to keep me from exalting myself!**

8 Concerning this I implored the Lord three times **that it might leave me.** 9 And He has said to me, “**My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness.**” Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 10 **Therefore I am well content with weaknesses**, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ’s sake; **for when I am weak, then I am strong.**

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2 Cor. 12:11, 12 11 ¶ I have become foolish; you yourselves compelled me. Actually I should have been commended by you, for in no respect was I inferior to the

most eminent apostles, even though I am a nobody.

1 Cor. 15:10 **But by the grace of God I am what I am,** and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but **I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me.**

2 Cor. 12:12 **The signs of a true apostle were performed among you** with all perseverance, **by signs and wonders and miracles.**

2 Thess 2:1-3 **1** ¶ Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, **2** that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect **that the day of the Lord has come.** **3** **Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed,** the son of destruction,

2 Thess. 2:8, 9 **8** **Then that lawless one will be revealed** whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; **9** *that is,* **the one** whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, **with all power and signs and false wonders,**

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2 Cor. 12:19 ¶ All this time **you have been thinking that we are defending ourselves** to you. *Actually,* it is in the sight of God that **we have been speaking in Christ; and all for your upbuilding, beloved.**