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2 Corinthians 13:1-10

It would be safe to say that none of us like being called out about our sin. We squirm, justify, or even hide to try to escape the reprimand. In this text Paul is reprimanding the church in Corinth. A repeated sin that they keep struggling with is called out once again.

It would be easy to view this text as depressing, or even unnecessarily harsh, but it is tempered with this strong desire to see these new disciples become more like Christ than they currently are.

Paul doesn't desire their destruction or punishment. Paul even says that he would rather spend his time building them up, not tearing them down (v. 10).

Since this is the last chapter of 2 Corinthians, it's hard to know what the response of the church was, but we can decide what our response will be when similar words are spoken to us. Will we test our hearts? Will we continue on sinning, or will we, through the strength of God, repent and live a life of righteousness?

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