

# 2 Corinthians 13

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## Final Warnings

**1** This is the third time I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.

**2** I told you before, and foretell you, as if I were present, the second time; and being absent now I write to them which heretofore have sinned, and to all other, that, if I come again, I will not spare:

**3** Since ye seek a proof of Christ speaking in me, which to you-ward is not weak, but is mighty in you.

**4** For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

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## Examine Yourselves

**5** Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

**6** But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates.

**7** Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.

**8** For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.

**9** For we are glad, when we are weak, and ye are strong: and this also we wish, even your perfection.

**10** Therefore I write these things being absent, lest being present I should use sharpness, according to the power which the Lord hath given me to edification, and not to destruction.

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## Final Greetings

**11** Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.

**12** Greet one another with an holy kiss.

**13** All the saints salute you.

**14** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

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## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

### Faith — πίστις (Pistis)

Faith, belief, trust

The Greek **pistis** (πίστις) denotes faith, belief, or trust—confidence in God's character and promises. It's both intellectual assent and relational trust, central to justification (Romans 5:1).

### God — Θεός (Theos)

God

The Greek **Theos** (Θεός) refers to deity, used both for the one true God and false gods. Context determines whether it denotes the Father specifically or the Godhead generally.

### Grace — χάρις (Charis)

Grace, favor

The Greek **charis** (χάρις) denotes unmerited divine favor—God's kindness toward the undeserving. Salvation is 'by grace through faith' (Ephesians 2:8), not human merit.

### Holy — ἅγιος (Hagios)

Holy, sacred, set apart

The Greek **hagios** (ἅγιος) denotes holiness—moral purity and separation unto God. Believers are called 'saints' (hagioi), those set apart for God through Christ's sanctifying work.

**Lord** — **Κύριος** (Kurios)

Lord, Master

The Greek **Kurios** (Κύριος) means 'lord' or 'master,' used both for human masters and divinely for God the Father and Jesus Christ. Its application to Jesus affirms His deity, as it translates YHWH in the Septuagint.

**Love** — **ἀγάπη** (Agape)

Divine love

The Greek **agape** (ἀγάπη) denotes self-sacrificial, unconditional love—the highest form of love, characterizing God's nature (1 John 4:8) and the love Christians are called to demonstrate.

**Messiah** — **Χριστός** (Christos)

Christ, Anointed One

The Greek **Christos** (Χριστός) translates 'Messiah'—the Anointed One. Peter confessed 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God' (Matthew 16:16), recognizing Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah.

**Truth** — **ἀλήθεια** (Aletheia)

Truth, reality

The Greek **aletheia** (ἀλήθεια) denotes truth or reality—that which corresponds to actuality. Jesus declared, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life' (John 14:6), embodying ultimate reality.

**Word** — **λόγος** (Logos)

Word, reason, message

The Greek **Logos** (Λόγος) means word, reason, or message—the rational principle underlying reality. John identifies Christ as the eternal Logos: 'In the beginning was the Word' (John 1:1).

## CROSS REFERENCES

**2 Corinthians 13:1** **Word:** Matthew 18:16. **Witness:** Numbers 35:30; Deuteronomy 17:6; 19:15; 1 Kings 21:10. **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 12:14

**2 Corinthians 13:2** **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 1:23; 13:10; 1 Corinthians 5:5

**2 Corinthians 13:3** **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 12:12; Matthew 10:20; Luke 21:15

### 2 Corinthians 13:4

**References God:** Romans 1:4; 1 Peter 3:18. **Parallel theme:** John 10:18; Romans 6:4; 14:9; 1 Corinthians 2:3; 15:43; Philippians 3:10; Hebrews 5:7. **Cross:** Acts 2:36

**2 Corinthians 13:5** **Parallel theme:** Psalms 26:2; Lamentations 3:40; 1 Corinthians 9:27; 11:28; 11:31; Galatians 6:4; Hebrews 12:15; Revelation 2:5. **Faith:** Galatians 2:20. **References Jesus:** John 14:23

**2 Corinthians 13:7** **Parallel theme:** Philippians 4:8; James 1:12. **References God:** 1 Timothy 2:2; 2 Timothy 2:15. **Prayer:** 1 Thessalonians 5:23. **Evil:** 2 Timothy 4:18

**2 Corinthians 13:8** **Parallel theme:** Proverbs 21:30; Mark 9:39

**2 Corinthians 13:9** **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 13:11; 1 Corinthians 4:10; 1 Thessalonians 3:10; 1 Peter 5:10

**2 Corinthians 13:10** **References Lord:** 2 Corinthians 10:8. **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 2:3; 10:2; 13:8; 1 Corinthians 4:21; Titus 1:13

**2 Corinthians 13:11**

**Peace:** Mark 9:50; Romans 12:18; 15:33; Hebrews 12:14; 1 Peter 3:11. **Parallel theme:** 2 Corinthians 13:9; Romans 12:16; 1 Corinthians 1:10; James 1:4. **Love:** 2 Corinthians 13:14

**2 Corinthians 13:12** **Holy:** Romans 16:16; 1 Corinthians 16:20; 1 Thessalonians 5:26. **Parallel theme:** 1 Peter 5:14

**2 Corinthians 13:14**

**Spirit:** Romans 8:9; Ephesians 2:22. **Love:** Romans 5:5; Galatians 5:22; Philippians 2:1. **Grace:** 2 Corinthians 8:9; Romans 16:20; 1 Corinthians 16:23; Jude 1:21. **Holy:** 1 Corinthians 6:19

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