



# 2 CORINTHIANS

2 Corinthians:

The Benefit of Inadequacy

# **“The Aroma of Christ”**

**2 Corinthians 2:1-17**

*“Most perfumes are composed of a three-part structure. The "head," also referred to as the "top" note, is the first olfactory impression the perfume imparts. The second is the "heart" note, which is the main fragrance that lasts for several hours. The last is the "base" note, the fragrance which underpins the whole perfume and is comprised of the least volatile chemicals.”*

*How can we spread the  
knowledge of Christ everywhere?*

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“Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children. So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.”

– 1 Thess 2:6-8

“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.”

– Ephesians 2:19-21



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“For you know how, like a father with his children, we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.”

– 1 Thess 2:11-12

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“21 Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?"

22 Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.”

– Matthew 18:21-22

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“...And the priest shall burn all of it on the altar, as a burnt offering, a food offering with a pleasing aroma to the LORD.”

– Leviticus 1:9

occurs 16 times in Leviticus

occurs 18 times in Numbers

“12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship ...

<sup>4</sup> For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.”

– Romans 12:1, 4-5

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