



Standing
Message 1
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2. Confidence from _____.
(2 Corinthians 1:12-2:4. C/R: Psalm 25:21; Luke 16:10;
Romans 9:1; 1 Peter 2:12)

► Outline

It is God who enables us, along with you, to stand firm for Christ.

2 Corinthians 1:21 (NLT)

A. Introduction

(2 Corinthians 1:1-2)

B. I stand firm for Christ because I have...

(2 Corinthians 1:3-2:11)

1. Comfort in _____.

(2 Corinthians 1:3-11. C/R: John 16:33; Romans 5:3-5;
Hebrews 4:15-16; James 1:2-4)

3. Commitment to _____.

(2 Corinthians 2:5-11. C/R: Matthew 6:14-15;
Luke 17:3-4; Colossians 3:12-13; James 5:19-20)

Answers: 1. trouble 2. integrity 3. forgiveness

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

You meet your 18-year-old self. You're allowed to say three words. What do you say?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read [2 Corinthians 1:1-11](#).

1. Describe a time you needed comfort.
2. What enabled Paul to rejoice when he faced problems and trials?
See also [Romans 5:3-5](#); [John 16:33](#); [James 1:2-4](#).
3. What's one way God has worked in your life as a result of a struggle or difficult season?
4. What are ways to share God's comfort with others?

Read [2 Corinthians 1:12-2:4](#).

5. What does it mean to have integrity?
6. What do you think Paul's opponents were saying about his motives?
7. Can you think of a time you encountered rejection while serving someone? How did that affect you?

8. How does having a clear conscience provide confidence? Have you experienced this? Explain.

Read [2 Corinthians 2:5-11](#).

9. Have you ever had a difficult time offering forgiveness? How did it impact your relationship with God?
10. How does unforgiveness make you susceptible to the schemes and attacks of Satan?
11. Paul demonstrates what it looks like to stand firm in the faith. Based on this week's lesson, what's one way you could follow his example?

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is like training for the soul. If you build these into your everyday life, you're sure to strengthen your relationship with God.

Pray for places in your life where there is suffering and sadness. Ask God to bring you comfort.

Memory Verse

In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, we stopped relying on ourselves and learned to rely only on God, who raises the dead. [2 Corinthians 1:9 \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

Day 1: [John 16:31-33](#)

Day 4: [1 Peter 2:11-12](#)

Day 2: [Romans 5:3-5](#)

Day 5: [James 5:19-20](#)

Day 3: [Psalm 25:21](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, September 26, we'll continue our series *Sufficiency in Christ*. To prepare read [2 Corinthians 2:12-3:18](#).



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