

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from March 1, 2009 Paul's Opening Remarks to the Corinthians 2 Corinthians 1:1-2

Observing the text

Read 2 Corinthians 1:1-2 and make as many observations as possible.

How was the church at Corinth established (Acts 18:1-18)?

What is the significance of Paul being called an apostle of Christ Jesus (Galatians 1:1, 11-16)?

Why did Paul, in addition to calling himself an apostle of Christ Jesus, add the words, "By the will of God?"

Applying the sermon

How committed are you to ministering to the saints here in our church compared with Paul's commitment to the Corinthians?

Do you believe that it is okay not to minister to individuals in our fellowship just because they make your ministry to them difficult? What do you think Paul would say?

Are there any individuals presently in this fellowship that you believe you have given up on and are no longer concerned for their spiritual welfare? Do you believe that this needs to change and if so, what do you need to do?

What would be an occasion when we would be justified in choosing to no longer expend the effort or time in ministering to those who are a part of our church family who are struggling?