

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from August 9, 2009 “The Restoration of Sinning Brothers” 2 Corinthians 2:6-8

Observing the text

What did Paul mean when he told the Corinthians that he had put them to the test in 2 Corinthians 2:9?

Why was Paul able to link what they would do in terms of church discipline with himself in 2 Corinthians 2:10?

Why did Paul tell the Corinthians that what he had forgiven, he had forgiven for their sakes in 2 Corinthians 2:10?

What did Paul specifically have in mind when he spoke of forgiveness in 2 Corinthians 2:10?

Why did Paul say that forgiveness was so important?

Applying the sermon

Are you presently walking in sin? What is that sin? What do you need to do in order to put it off and to put on righteousness?

Are you willing to do this? If you are, please, confess your sin and ask God for the grace to do what is right.

Do you believe that Spirit-filled Christians have a responsibility to approach a brother or sister in Christ who they believe is willfully choosing to walk in sin?

If you are presently aware of a brother or sister in Christ that is willfully choosing to walk in sin, what do you believe that the Lord would want you to do and when would He want you to do it?

If the leaders of this church approached you and asked you to separate yourself socially from a brother or sister in Christ who was willfully choosing to walk in sin, even after repeated attempts to restore them, would you support the leaders' call to separate?