



2 Corinthians 4:1-6

¹Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²Rather, we have renounced secret and shameful ways; we do not use deception, nor do we distort the word of God. On the contrary, by setting forth the truth plainly we commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. ³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.



Notes Of Hope

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Don't Give Up!

Explore

v.1 Therefore...

God's mercy
this ministry *is the ministry of the Spirit (3:8) that brings righteousness (3:9) freedom (3:17) and transformation (3:18)*
we do not lose heart *Paul won't give up, even though he is being criticized, because God has given him the wonderful, merciful gift of serving people for Jesus' sake.*

v.2 renounced secret and shameful ways

v. 3,4 blinded

v. 5 Jesus Christ as Lord, ourselves as your servants.

v. 6 the glory of God in the face of Christ. *Paul said that God had given him understanding to see God revealed in Jesus.*

Connect

v.1 Gratitude? Righteousness, freedom, transformation?

v.2 Integrity? Criticism?

v. 3, 4 Seeing Jesus as He really is?

v.5 Jesus as Lord, _____ as a servant.

v.6 God revealed in Jesus.