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2 Corinthians 5:1-15

1. What is Paul referring to in v.5 when he mentions a tent vs. a building from God? What does the tent represent? (See vs. 2 and 6)
2. Paul mentions a posture of groaning in vs. 2 and 4, and then a posture of “good courage” in vs. 6 and 8.
Discuss this tension and how it pertains to our lives today.
 - a. Do we “groan” as we await for our mortality to be “swallowed up by life”?
 - b. Do we live as Christians who are characterized by being of “good courage”? How has that looked for you, specifically in the last two years?
 - c. What does it look like to live in this tension?
3. Have you ever stopped to consider whether or not God is pleased with your life? How does living to please God in this lifetime link to being judged by Him in the end? (see vs 9-10)
4. Paul states “For the love of Christ controls us...” (v. 14). Discuss how this is so in our lives? What does that look like? (See v. 15 & Titus 2:11-14).
 - a. Is this thought challenging to you? Do you feel “controlled” by Christ’s love? Does that love shape how you view others?
 - b. When have you been “zealous for good works”?
 - c. What are you prompted to bring before God as you contemplate this passage?