

2 Corinthians 1

- 1) Who was with Paul when he addressed the Corinthians in this second letter?
- 2) Why was Paul qualified to “comfort” others in their afflictions?
- 3) Paul refers to his afflictions in Asia, and obviously refers to Ephesus (cp.. 1 Cor. 15:32): Acts 19 provides a record of these hardships. List as many of them as you can:
- 4) The opposition was so strong that Paul “despaired even of _____”?
- 5) What lesson did Paul learn from this intense affliction? (vs. 9)
- 6) We know from 1 Corinthians 16:5 that Paul had intended to return to Corinth *after* visiting Macedonia. From 2 Corinthians 1:15-16, what new travel plans had he formed but was unable to fulfill?
 - a) Thought question: From these and other passages (like Romans 1:13 & Acts 16:7-8), what can we conclude about the travel plans and movements of the apostles?
 - b) What was the exception to that general rule? (see Acts 16:7-10 for help)
- 7) 2 Corinthians 1:17 suggests that some used Paul’s change of travel plans as a basis for criticism: What motivations (or charges) did Paul deny in this verse?
- 8) What reason *did* Paul give for his change in plans? (v. 23)