



Daily Reflections

June 19, 2017

Scripture

2 Corinthians 6: 1-10

Brothers and sisters:

As your fellow workers, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain.

For he says:

In an acceptable time I heard you,
and on the day of salvation I helped you.

Behold, now is a very acceptable time;
behold, now is the day of salvation.

We cause no one to stumble in anything,
in order that no fault may be found with our ministry;
on the contrary, in everything we commend ourselves
as ministers of God, through much endurance,

in afflictions, hardships, constraints,
beatings, imprisonments, riots,

labors, vigils, fasts;

by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness,
in the Holy Spirit, in unfeigned love, in truthful speech,
in the power of God;

with weapons of righteousness at the right and at the left;
through glory and dishonor, insult and praise.

We are treated as deceivers and yet are truthful;
as unrecognized and yet acknowledged;
as dying and behold we live;

as chastised and yet not put to death;
as sorrowful yet always rejoicing;
as poor yet enriching many;
as having nothing and yet possessing all things.

Our Scripture Reflection

What Paul had endured in order to be able to preach the love of Christ was unthinkable. But he had done so willingly and without reservation. Because of his labor, the Gospel eventually was spread, "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Food for your Journey

If no one ever took risks, Michelangelo would have painted the Sistine floor.

--Neil Simon, playwright.

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, Please make me strong and resolute in my daily witness to You.
May my efforts draw people to Your Heart. Amen.