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A. Don't lose heart, [v. 16]

B. “Light afflictions” / “eternal glory”, v. 17

C. The “seen” / the “not seen”, v. 18

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A. An earthly habitation, v. 1a

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“... we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.”

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C. From Groaning to Glory, vv. 2–4

“For in this we groan ...” “in this tent we groan”

“that mortality may be swallowed up by life.” v. 4b

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D. The Holy Spirit - God's Guarantee, vv. 5–8

“Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.”

v.5

“For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you.” Philipians 1:23–24

“For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand, I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that Day and not to me only but to all who have loved His appearing.” 2 Timothy 4:6–8

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III. The Judgment Seat of Christ, 2 Cor. 5:9–13

A. *“We make it our aim ... to be well pleasing to Him.”* v. 9

**B. *“For we must all appear before the
the judgment seat of Christ.”*** v. 10

- **The Who:** all believers, v. 10a

- **The Where:** before the Judgment Seat, v. 10b

- **The Why:** to receive rewards, v. 10b

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C. “... *We persuade men;*” v. 11

- Of the integrity of his ministry, v. 11b–13

- To be reconciled to God, 2 Corinthians 5:20