

**April 29, 2015**  
**“Building from the Inside Out”**  
**2 Corinthians 13**

- 1) **Focus on Substance not Appearance** *“In fact, He was crucified in weakness, but He lives by God’s power.”* (4)
  
- 2) **Take Stock Daily** *“Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith. Examine yourselves.”* (5)
  - a. **Do the next right thing-avoid wrongdoing** *“Now we pray that you do nothing wrong...but that you may do what is right.”* (7)
  - b. **Live in integrity** *“For we are not able to do anything against the truth, but only for the truth.”* (8)
  - c. **Keep on growing** *“We also pray that you become fully mature.”* (9)
  
- 3) **Be a Person of Joy and Peace** *“Finally, brothers, rejoice. Become mature, be encouraged, be of the same mind, be at peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.”* (11)
  
- 4) **Continue in Community** *“Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.”* (12)

**2 Cor 13** This is the third time I am coming to you. Every fact must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses. <sup>2</sup> I gave a warning when I was present the second time, and now I give a warning while I am absent to those who sinned before and to all the rest: If I come again, I will not be lenient, <sup>3</sup> since you seek proof of Christ speaking in me. He is not weak toward you, but powerful among you. <sup>4</sup> In fact, He was crucified in weakness, but He lives by God’s power. For we also are weak in Him, yet toward you we will live with Him by God’s power.

**5 Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith. Examine yourselves. Or do you yourselves not recognize that Jesus Christ is in you? – unless you fail the test. 6 And I hope you will recognize that we do not fail the test. 7 Now we pray to God that you do nothing wrong – not that we may appear to pass the test, but that you may do what is right, even though we may appear to fail. 8 For we are not able to do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. 9 In fact, we rejoice when we are weak and you are strong. We also pray that you become fully mature. 10 This is why I am writing these things while absent, that when I am there I will not use severity, in keeping with the authority the Lord gave me for building up and not for tearing down.**

**11 Finally, brothers, rejoice. Become mature, be encouraged, be of the same mind, be at peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. 12 Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.**

**13 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.**

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