

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians**Brothers and sisters:**

**We know that the One who raised the Lord Jesus
will raise us also with Jesus
and place us with you in his presence.**

Everything indeed is for you,

**so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people
may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God.**

Therefore, we are not discouraged;

**rather, although our outer self is wasting away,
our inner self is being renewed day by day.**

For this momentary light affliction

**is producing for us an eternal weight of glory
beyond all comparison,**

as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen;

for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.

For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent,

should be destroyed,

we have a building from God,

a dwelling not made with hands,

eternal in heaven.

The word of the Lord.