

**Sermon Notes -
April 21, 2024
Summer Series:
“0-100 Slow Down”**

Week 1: Paul’s **focus** in 2nd Corinthians, is to express his **joy** at the Corinthians’ **restoration** to the greater Church.

Week 2: **Pain** isn’t something to necessarily to **avoid**, because it can bring **comfort** if done in a **godly** way.

Week 3:

Scripture Focus: 2nd **Corinthians** 1:12-2:4

v.1:12-14

Paul **boasts**, not in what he has done, but that, through **Christ**, **restoration** has occurred.

v.1:15-17 (1:23-2:3)

Paul reveals the **reason** he didn’t make a **return** trip, because if he had, it would have been **harsh** and caused more **problems**.

Scripture Reference: **Ephesians** 4:26

v.1:18-22

Because of **God’s faithfulness**, this situation has better **established** both Paul and the Corinthians in their **relationships** with Christ.

v. 2:4

Paul’s **approach** to this whole issue, stems from his **love** for the Corinthians.

Scripture Reference: **Psalms** 103:8-10

Scripture Reference: **Luke** 23:34b

Scripture Reference: **Philippians** 2:1-2

God is calling us to seek the **least harshest** routes to deal with **painful** situations that we might **not sin**.

Scripture Reference: **Proverbs** 15:1-4

Challenge:

Internalize the truth of Proverbs 15:1-4, seeking the Holy Spirit to strengthen you as you encounter painful situations, so that you might deal with them in a godly way.