



## THE BIBLE IN VERSE

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## 2 CORINTHIANS

### CHAPTERS 1 TO 13

#### Chapter 1

Paul writes to Corinth and all of the saints,  
Says he has suffered, but has no complaints.  
Gospel of Christ is not Yea mixed with Nay,  
Every good promise of Jesus is Yea.

#### Chapter 2

Paul instructs members to freely forgive,  
Helping the wayward to settle and live.  
We are, to God, a sweet savor of Christ.  
For all requirements, Jesus sufficed.

#### Chapter 3

We are epistles, and read of all men,  
Written in flesh with a spiritual pen.  
Moses must cover the glow on his face;  
We have a brighter glow, living in grace.

#### Chapter 4

Yet, if our glorious gospel be hid,  
Satan is blinding the ones who are bid.  
We have this treasure in vessels of clay.  
We are renewed in the heart, day by day.

#### Chapter 5

We have a building of God in the skies,  
Waiting the Christian the moment he dies.  
All must appear at the great judgment seat.  
Dwellers in Christ are new creatures, complete.

#### Chapter 6

Now is the proper time; now is the way,  
Walk circumspectly, whatever men say.  
Real discipleship carries a cost.  
Be not unequally yoked to the lost.

#### Chapter 7

Paul pleads his cause while expounding his views,  
Thankful that Titus has brought welcome news,  
Praises Corinthians, quick to repent,  
Glad they received the instructions he sent.

#### Chapter 8

In Macedonia, people gave well;  
Thus the Corinthians ought so to dwell.  
Jesus was rich, but for our sakes was poor.  
Give, not vain wishing, but what is in store.

#### Chapter 9

If we sow sparingly, so shall we reap;  
If with abundance, we'll have much to keep.  
Let a man purpose; then let him draw near.  
God loves the giver who does it with cheer.

#### Chapter 10

Paul in defense claims his right to exhort,  
Giving in witness his honest report,  
Says that his presence will also be strong.  
God will place honor where it shall belong.

### **Chapter 11**

Paul claims his right of apostleship here,  
Warns that false prophets, as righteous, appear,  
Tells of his hardships on land and on sea,  
How through a window he managed to flee.

### **Chapter 12**

Paul knew a man who was caught up one day,  
Heard many things which he never must say.  
Then came a thorn, that he ever stay low,  
God's strength is perfect in weakness and woe.

### **Chapter 13**

Paul will return, and will surely not spare.  
Judge your own selves, and lay everything bare.  
Christ was made weak but in God became strong;  
So then are we, as we travel along.