



**TITLE | Home or Away**  
**SERIES | Beyond Our Strength**  
**TEXT | 2 Corinthians 5:1-10**  
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# SERMON NOTES

**2 Corinthians 5:1** For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. **2** For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, **3** if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. **4** For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. **5** He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. **6** So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, **7** for we walk by faith, not by sight. **8** Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. **9** So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. **10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. *ESV*

## **BIG IDEA:**

**2 Corinthians 5:7** for we walk by faith, not by sight. *ESV*

## **For Reflection and Application:**

### **Monday:**

**Read 2 Corinthians 5:1-10. What is the "tent" and what is the "heavenly dwelling?" Why is it important to consider these two things in dealing with hardships?**

### **Tuesday:**

**From 2 Corinthians 5:1-10, list all the characteristics of the "tent." Then list all the characteristics of the "heavenly dwelling." Why are these being contrasted?**

### **Wednesday:**

**From 2 Corinthians 5:7, what does it mean to walk by faith, not by sight? What specifically does each involve? Why is it important? How does it relate to being of good courage?**

### **Thursday:**

**According to 2 Corinthians 5:9-10, why is it important that we persevere in following Christ even when it is hard? What is at stake?**

### **Friday:**

**In what specific ways can you walk by faith, not by sight right now?**

### **Daily Prayer:**

**Lord, thank you for preparing for me the hope of resurrected life through the person and work of Jesus Christ.**

**Through the burden of this earthly tent, help me to walk by faith, not by sight.**

**Amen.**