

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians†

Brothers and sisters:

**Knowing 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.