

PULPIT MINISTRY: OCTOBER 2013

Theme: "The Same Spirit of Faith" (2 Corinthians 4:13)

MORNING WORSHIP

6 October 2013

Text: **2 Corinthians 4:16-18**

Title: **"THE INWARD MAN IS BEING RENEWED DAY BY DAY"**

(I) THE BASIC COMPOSITION OF MAN

1. The Outward Man

2. The Inward Man

(II) THE OUTWARD MAN

1. A reference to the physical body

2. It is perishing (2 Corinthians 4:16a)

a) Age

b) Illness

3. Acceptance of this reality

a) Sobering

b) Humbling

(III) THE INWARD MAN

1. A reference to the human spirit

2. It can be renewed day by day (2 Corinthians 4:16b)

(IV) RENEWAL OF THE INWARD MAN

1. Normal Means

- a) Through the word of God
- b) Through prayer
- c) Through meditation

2. Special Means

- a) Through affliction
- b) Paul calls it “light affliction” for “it is but for a moment” (**2 Corinthians 4:17a**)
- c) Affliction can help the inward man to find renewal

(V) NEW SPIRITUAL INSIGHTS

1. A new appreciation of Eternal Things

“A far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory” 2 Corinthians 4:17b

- a) Far more exceeding
- b) Eternal weight of glory

2. A new spiritual sight

- a) Not the things which the eyes can see
- b) But the things which cannot be normally seen by the eyes
- c) Things which are not seen (**2 Corinthians 4:18**)

(VI) DISCOVERY AND CULTIVATION OF THE INNER MAN

1. Discovery of Faith in the Inner Man

2. Development of the Spirit of Faith in the Inner Man