

I. **2 Cor 4:16-18** - Inner Man vs. Outer Man

- A. **Perishing** - *diaphtheiro* - Gradually waste away or decay
- B. **Being Renewed** – to renovate (restore life, vigor or activity, to a better state); to cause to grow up new, to make new; new strength, new in nature, different from the usual, impressive, better than the old, superior in value or attraction
 - 1. **Bill Johnson**: “Both hope and hopelessness are contagious, decide what kind of influence you want to have on the world around you.”
- C. What is your “yet” for your “even though”?

II. **2 Cor 4:17**

- A. **Light affliction for a moment** - Outer man and temporary
 - 1. **Affliction** - *thlipsis* - Pressure, oppression, stress, anguish, tribulation, adversity, affliction, crushing, squashing, squeezing, distress. - Outer Man
 - 2. **Moment** = Time which is temporary
 - 3. **Eternal weight of glory** - Inner Man and eternal, far more exceeding!
- B. **John 16:33** 33 These things I have spoken to you, that **in Me** you may have **peace**. In the world you will have **tribulation**; but be of good cheer, **I have overcome the world**.
 - 1. **Tribulation** – Pressure, oppression, stress, anguish, tribulation, adversity, affliction, crushing, squashing, squeezing, distress.
 - a) **In Me=Peace; In World=Pressure, stress, affliction, adversity, distress**
 - 2. **Overcome** - *nikao (nike)* - To win a victory over, conquer or be victorious
- C. **John 14:26-27** – My Peace I leave with you.

III. **2 Cor 4:18**

- A. **Look** - *skopeo* - Focus on, take aim at
- B. **1 Peter 1:23-24**

