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


III. 2 Cor 4:18

A. **Look** - *skopeo* - Focus on, take aim at

B. **1 Peter 1:23-24**