



2 CORINTHIANS

**Matching Practice With
Position!**

V1-2 “Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”

1 Cor 15:2 “By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.”

1 Cor 15:10 “But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.”

Phil 2:14-16 “Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life — in order that I may boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor in vain.”

Heb 5:12-14 You have become dull of hearing....“ For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.”

V2 “For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.



Is 49:4 “But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the Lord, and my recompense with my God.”

Is 49:6 “Is it too light a thing that you should be my servant?”

V3 “We put no obstacle in anyone's way,
so that no fault may be found with our
ministry”

The “in” list of verses are the various forms of suffering Paul has endured, as well as the godly character he displayed in suffering.

The “by” verses are the various means by which the gospel is proclaimed and practiced by the apostles:

The “as ... yet” verses describe the perception of the apostles by unbelievers, contrasting it with the true perception of their standing and status in Christ:

V11-13 “We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.”

