The God of All Comfort

Jesus said, "In this world you will have trouble." It is just like one of Job's counselors said, "Man is born to trouble as surely as sparks fly up" (Job 5:7). Fortunately, we have new revelation unknown to Job's counselors. Jesus finished his warning with these words: "But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Today, we get our counsel from the King of kings. Praise God we have good news!

The good news is that Jesus has indeed overcome the world. Those who belong to Christ will overcome right along with him because we are in Christ. Jesus promised to give us comforting aid as we journey through this fallen world. Jesus said, "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever – the Spirit of Truth" (John 14:16). That term "Counselor" can be translated "Comforter." It is capitalized because it is a proper name – it is the Person of the Holy Spirit.

We will be looking at Paul's second letter to the church in Corinth. They needed comforting aid just like we do today. Paul declared, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in God's Word, that our comforting aid will come directly from "the God of all comfort" (2 Corinthians 1:3). And he will live up to His Name.

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**2 Corinthians 1:1-3**

■ THE GOD OF ALL COMFORT

 Luke 4:16-21

■ THE SPIRIT OF COMFORT

 John 14:15-17

■ LIVING COMFORTED

 ▪ Be a believer

 ▪ Fight the good fight of faith