

## 2 Corinthians 1-2

**Comprehension:** (In other words, what does it say?)

What are these chapters addressing?

**Interpretation:** (In other words, what does it mean?)

God is the God of all comfort. Why does He comfort us?

Does God want us to suffer? Why does God allow us to suffer?

Explain why Paul cancelled his trip to Corinth:

Why did Paul instruct forgiveness of the man in the church?

“...to God we are the aroma of Christ...” and “To the one we are the smell of death, to the other we are the fragrance of life ....” What does this remind you of in the Old Testament? Discuss the implications of these verses.

**Application:** (In other words, how do I apply this to my life?)

How do you feel when you think about the idea of suffering, are you afraid of it? Do you rejoice in your sufferings? Do you complain about them? Do you look for ways to use your sufferings to glorify God? How?

Paul says at the end of chapter 1: “Not that we lord it over your faith, but we work with you for *your joy*, because it is by faith you stand firm.” How do you stand firm? What daily habits have you implemented in your life to ensure you are standing firm in your faith every day?