WITNESSES

#3 What Are We?

<u>2 Corinthians 2:14-17 (ESV)</u> But thanks be to God, who in Christ
always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the
fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. 15 For we are the
aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and
among those who are perishing, 16 to one a fragrance from death to
death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for
these things? 17 For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word,
but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God
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2 Corinthians 5:11-21 (ESV) Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord,
we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is
known also to your conscience. 12 We are not commending ourselves
to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may
be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and
not about what is in the heart. 13 For if we are beside ourselves, it is for
God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. 14 For the love of
Christ controls us. because we have concluded this: that one has died

for all, therefore all have died; 15 and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. [a] The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 18 All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. **BIBLE READING PLAN** ☐ Sunday: Nehemiah 4 ☐ Thursday: Nehemiah 8 ☐ Monday: Nehemiah 5 Friday: Nehemiah 9 Tuesday: Nehemiah 6 Saturday: Nehemiah 10

■ Wednesday: Nehemiah 7

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Sunday: Nehemiah 11