

# CrossPoint Community Church

## Home Team Study Package

Series 2, Film 5 - Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 - "treasure"

Read **2 Corinthians, chapter 1** as a group and then watch the film as a HomeTeam. Answer the discussion questions following the film. Then, read and answer the questions below as a group.

1. 2 Cor. 1:8-11. This chapter is written in the context of persecution faced by the early church. Imprisonment and harassment were considered a common part of life for many followers of Jesus. Yet in the face of it all, the church flourished and grew in unimaginable ways. The same is true in our lives – much of our greatest growth happens in times of struggle and pain. Why do you think this is?
2. 2 Cor. 1:5. Pastor Paul says that the sufferings of Jesus flow into the lives of his followers. That is, following Jesus always comes with a cost of some sort. This cost then reminds us of the life giving, salvation assuring, suffering of Jesus. What "costs" – big or small – have been incurred in your life as a result of following Jesus?
3. Read v. 9 once again. See also 2 Cor. 12:9. From God's perspective, what is the goal of any suffering you might endure as His child?
4. Read v. 10 once again. Paul basis his confidence that God will deliver them in times of need on the fact that he has done so time and time beforehand in the past – the biggest example of all being Jesus' death on the cross. What does this say about the value of your past experiences to someone who is walking through something similar today?

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