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Title: All for One, One for all

2 Corinthians 5:13-17

Remember from last week: Paul just mentioned people who gloried in appearance, but not in heart (2 Corinthians 5:12). No doubt some of that group had critics of him.

Critics called Paul insane (2 Corinthians 5:13), but in reality, he was zealous + devoted to the truth.

Another example: Acts 26:19-26

**Critics said the same of Jesus Christ,
whom Paul preached:**

Mark 3:20-30

Paul wasn't insane. He was motivated by the love of Christ. That same love, he wrote, controlled him (2 Corinthians 5:14).

Paul and the apostles had come to appreciate Christ's death and how that death extends to us all. All includes all people. When Christ died, we all died.

**Consider the irony of Caiaphas the high
priest, and how he treated our High
Priest: John 11:47-53**

**Remember that Christ died for His
friends: John 15:11-21**

**When Christ died, we all died. Jesus
Christ died in service to us:**

Mark 10:35-45

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Romans 5:3-11

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Romans 8:31-39

**When Christ died, we all died. Jesus
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1 Peter 3:14-18

When Christ died, we all in a sense died.

**Paul's point in 2 Corinthians 5:15 is
that we should live for Him who died
and rose again.**

**Christ, the Preeminent One, rose from
the dead, never to return.**

Hebrews 7:20-28; Revelation 1:9-18

**We should serve Him, which means
following His example: John 12:20-26**

**We now having new life in Christ can
live for Him:**

Colossians 3:5-11

**We now having new life in Christ can
live for Him:**

Galatians 2:19-21

**We now having new life in Christ can
live for Him:**

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

**We now having new life in Christ can
live for Him:**

1 Peter 2:21-25

Remember what we called the day of judgment last week? Since believers live in service to Him, no need to fear: 1

John 4:9-17

**Jesus Christ, our greatest Friend,
provided us the greatest service on the
cross. He died for the sins of the world,
the just for the unjust.**

We, then, must live for Him knowing that He died for us and rose again. Our lives are no longer our own — Christ is our life, and we must live in service to Him.