

“BURDENED...BEYOND OUR STRENGTH”
“A Place of Grave Peril and Great Possibility”
(2 Corinthians 1:3-11)

INTRODUCTION:

“...we were burdened excessively, beyond our strength...”

1A. THE _____ OF BEING BURDENED BEYOND OUR STRENGTH:

“For we do not want you to be unaware, brethren, of our affliction which came to us in Asia, that we were burdened excessively, beyond our strength, so that we despaired even of life; indeed, we had the sentence of death within ourselves...” (v. 8, 9a)

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...that can arise from _____.

*“...but in everything commending ourselves as servants of God, in much endurance, in **afflictions**, in hardships, in distresses,...”*

—2 Corinthians 6:4

...that can arise from _____.

*“For out of **much affliction and anguish of heart** I wrote to you with many tears; not so that you would be made sorrowful, but that you might know the love which I have especially for you.”*

—2 Corinthians 2:4

“For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted at every turn—fighting without and fear within.”

—2 Corinthians 7:5

*“We are **afflicted in every way**, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair,...”*

—2 Corinthians 4:8

2A. THE _____ OF BEING BURDENED BEYOND OUR STRENGTH:

“...in order that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God who raises the dead; 10 who delivered us from so great a peril of death, and will deliver us, He on whom we have set our hope. And He will yet deliver us, you also joining in helping us through your prayers, that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the favor bestowed upon us through the prayers of many.” (v. 9b-11)

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...that we might experience _____.

...that we might experience _____.

CONCLUSION: