

Tough Love
Endurance & Triumph Amidst Difficulties (part 12)
2 Corinthians 12:11-13:10
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	2 Cor. 1:12-2:17	How to Remain Triumphant Amidst Suffering	God & His promises are always trustworthy If you want to share in Christ's triumph, you need to remain chained to His chariot!
	2 Cor. 3:1-18	How to be Adequate While Being Inadequate	You are inadequate on your own, but totally adequate through Christ's Spirit in you
	2 Cor. 4:1-18	Therefore, We Do Not Lose Heart	We don't lose heart b/c even though we are not able, God is able
	2 Cor. 5:1-10	Encouragement Amidst Physical Trials	Our future home far outweighs the present afflictions in our present tent
	2 Cor. 5:11-21	Why Share Our Faith?	You are Christ's ambassador communicating a crucial message of life and death
	2 Cor. 6:1-7:16	Being Salty in a Culture Peppered with Questionability	Don't let your salt be peppered by the world
	2 Cor. 8:1-9:5	Grace-Filled Giving	Give as God has given you grace
	2 Cor. 9:6-15	Sowing in Order to Reap	You can't afford not to give generously
	2 Cor. 10:1-11:12	How to respond to criticism	Don't stoop to the lower road of your critics, take the higher road of Jesus
2 Cor. 11:16-12:10	Strength Amidst Weakness	When you are weak, then you are strong!	
2 Cor. 12:11-13:14	Tough Love	Love with a tough & tender love	

Tough love seeks the _____ in others, even if it makes us _____ (12:11-19)

- For church leaders

- For fellow believers in Christ

- For parents

High love Low structure	High love High structure
Low love Low structure	Low love High structure

Tough love does not _____ with sin (12:19-21)

- God does not _____

- The Church should not _____

- Parents should not _____
 - Emphasize _____ standards and not just your _____ standards or _____

 - Ask God for wisdom balancing _____ and _____

 - Don't compromise on sin, but don't _____ your children. Overflow with _____ and _____.

Tough love sets _____ (13:1-10)

- God sets _____ for us

- As a church, we are commanded to set _____

- As parents, we also need to set _____ for our children

Conclusion