

Treasure in Earthen Jars

BRAGGING RIGHT

2 Corinthians 1:12-14 Pew Bible p. 1142

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This priceless treasure we hold, so to speak, in a common earthenware jar—to show that the splendid power of it belongs to God and not to us.
2 Cor 4:7 Phillips

What is the treasure we hold?

To whom does “earthenware jar” refer?

Explanation

What kind of boasting was going on in the Corinthian church?

When is boasting good? What kind of boasting did Paul engage in?

Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord. For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends.
2 Cor. 10:17-18

What did Paul mean by the word “conscience?” How does it differ from the way we use “conscience” today?

What standard is to guide the Christian's conscience?

What is Paul's boast?

What does Paul seek to communicate in 2 Cor. 1:13?

To what does Paul refer when he speaks of "the day of the Lord Jesus?"

What does Paul hope will happen on that day?

Application

Should Christians engage in boasting?

What will have value when we stand before the Lord and give an account for what we have done with what He has given to us?

Boast in what the Lord has done, not in what you have accomplished.

What is God telling you to do with what you heard today?