

“The Fragrance of Life”

2 Cor 2:12-17

I. An Anguished Decision

A) Opened Door for Ministry

B) A Painful Decision

II. A Staggering Metaphor

A) Not What You Think

1 Corinthians 4:8, 9-10

• **Word for “triumphal procession”** - *who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession*
- *strictly celebrate a triumph, lead in a triumphal procession; hence (1) of God's overcoming power triumph over (CO 2.15)*

B) Not What the Corinthians want to Hear

Psalm 1:1-3

2 Corinthians 6:8-10

“When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die.” Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship*

C) Picture of the Gospel

The upside down picture of victory!

Revelation 5:6-14

D) We are Different