

1. Introduction

介绍

2 Corinthians
哥林多后书

更荣耀的事奉

A More
Glorious Ministry



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2 Timothy 提摩太后书 3:16-17

¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

¹⁶ 圣经都是神所默示的, 于教训, 督责, 使人归正, 教导人学义, 都是有益的. ¹⁷ 叫属神的人得以完全, 预备行各样的善事

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Psalm 诗篇 119:97-100

⁹⁷ Oh, how I love your law!

I meditate on it all day long.

⁹⁸ Your commands are always with me
and make me wiser than my enemies.

⁹⁷ 我何等爱慕你的律法，
终日不住地思想。

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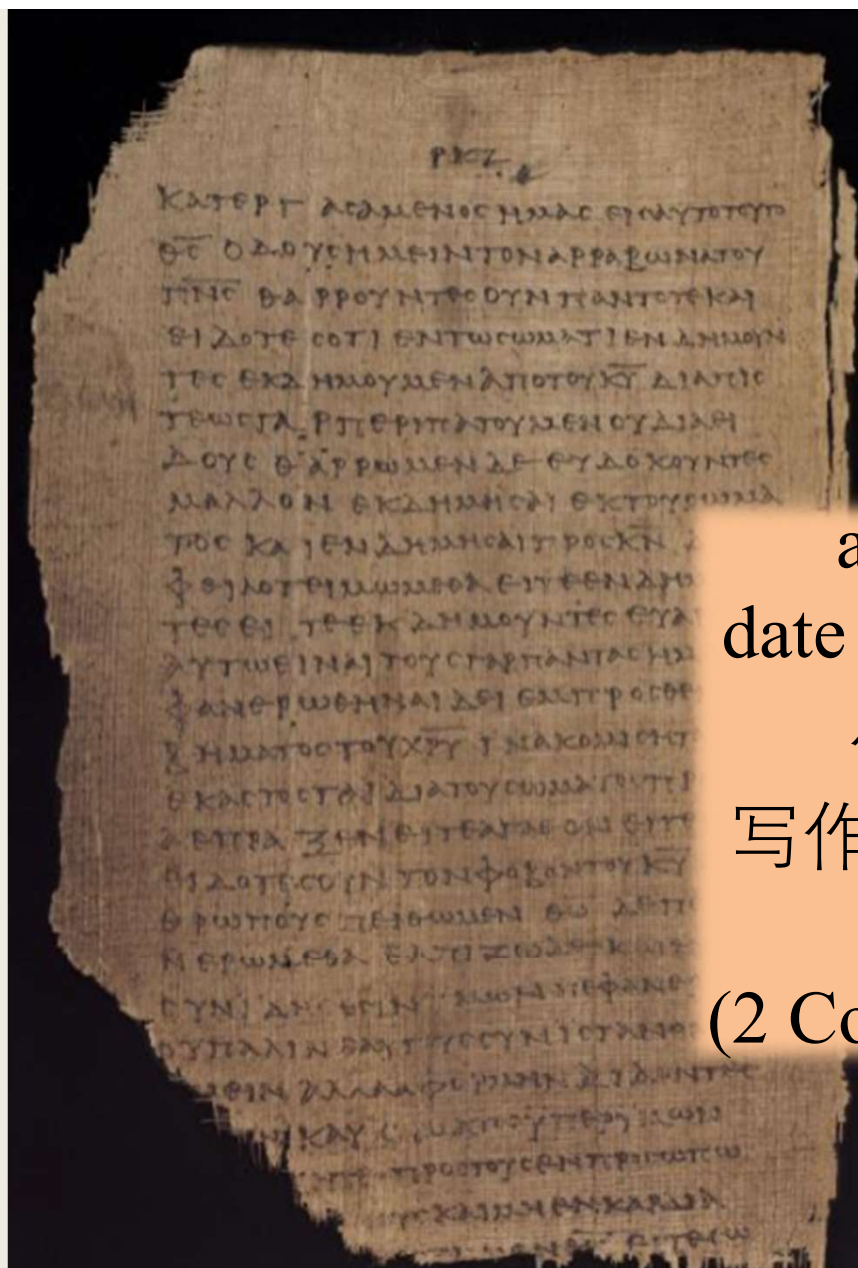
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for I meditate on your statutes.

¹⁰⁰ I have more understanding than the elders,
for I obey your precepts.

⁹⁹ 我比我的师傅更通达,
因我思想你的法度.

¹⁰⁰ 我比年老的更明白,
因我守了你的训词.



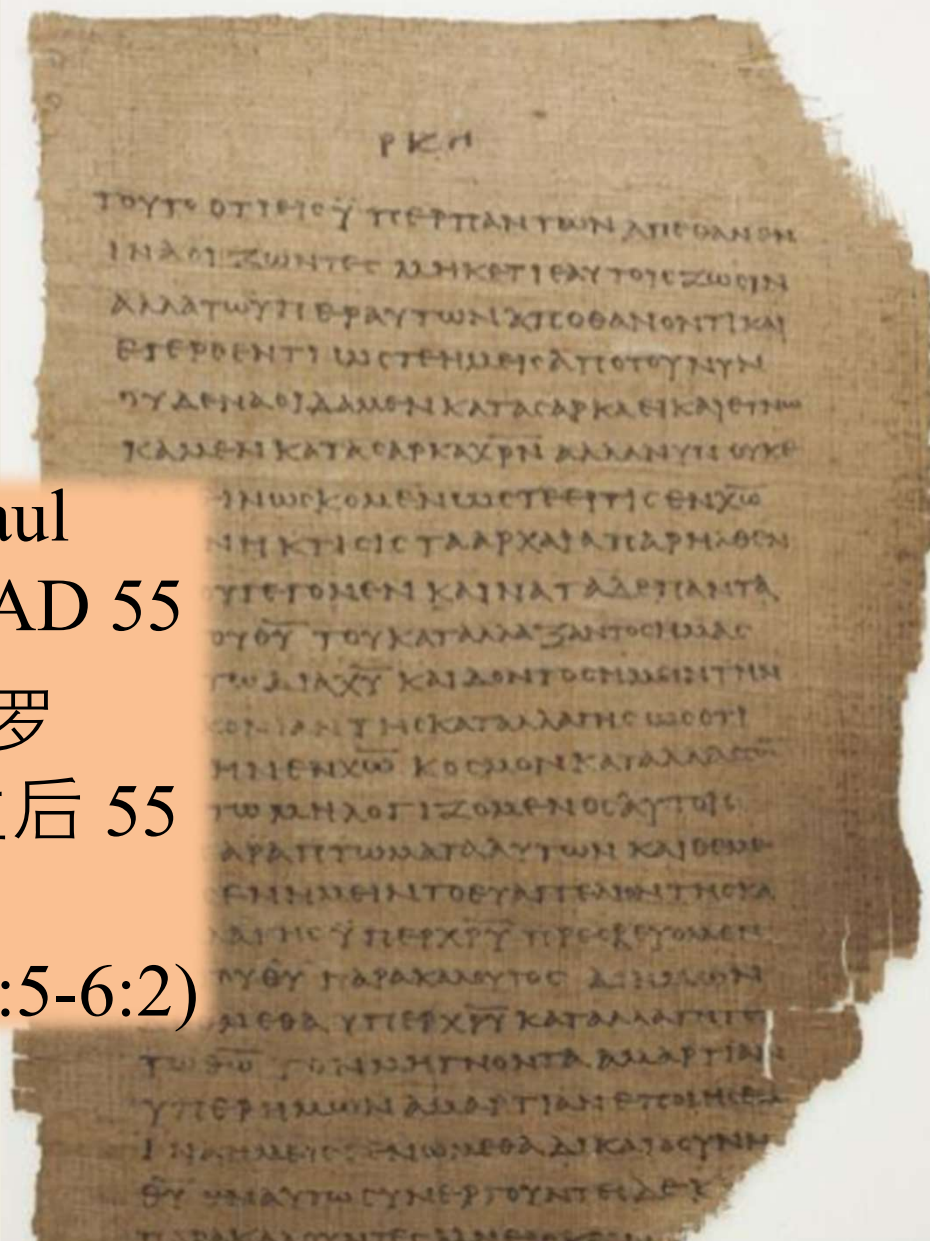
author: Paul

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作者: 保罗

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church leaders

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早些在<哥林多前书>没有解决的问题

- Paul explained why he didn't visit church as he said he would
保罗解释为何没有照所说的, 探访教会
- Paul earlier instructed church to discipline man in adultery; told them to forgive because repented: church obeys => church submits to Paul
保罗之前吩咐教会管教奸淫的人; 现在吩咐赦免人因已经悔改:
教会听从 => 教会顺服保罗

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7:5-9:15 concludes problem in 1 Cor; uncollected offerings
总结<林前>的问题; 没有收到的奉献

- 7:5-16: after Paul has defended his authority, returns to conclude earlier 1 Cor problem: he assures them they did well by repenting, “see what this godly sorrow has produced in you . . .” (7:11a)
保罗维护他的权柄后, 就回来总结之前 <林前>的问题: 他肯定他们因悔改而作得好, “你们依着神的意思忧愁, 从此就生 . . .” (7:11a)
- If the Corinthian Christians truly submit to Paul’s authority = accept his gospel, “excel in this grace of giving” (8:8) to Christians in need
哥林多信徒若真地顺服保罗的权柄 = 接受他传的福音, “当在这慈惠的事上, 也格外显出满足来” (8:8)

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10:10 “因为有人说, ‘他的信, 又沉重, 又利害. 及至见面, 却是气貌不扬, 言语粗俗的.’”
- “Are they Hebrews . . . servants of Christ . . . (I am out of my mind to talk like this.) I am more. I have worked much harder, been in prison more frequently” (11:22-23); “I will go on to visions and revelations from the Lord” (12:1)
“他们是希伯来人吗 . . . 基督的仆人吗? (我说句狂话) 我更是. 我比他们多受劳苦” (11:22-23); “如今我要说到主的显现和启示” (12:1)

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- “to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.’ Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me” (2 Cor 12:7-9)
“有一根刺加在我肉体上, 就是撒但的差役, 要攻击我, 免得我过于自高.⁸ 为这事, 我三次求过主, 叫这刺离开我.⁹ 他对我说, ‘我的恩典够你用的. 因为我的能力, 是在人的软弱上显得完全. 所以我更喜欢夸自己的软弱, 好叫基督的能力覆庇我’ (林后 12:7-9)

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