Paul Deals With the Trials of Life
2 Corinthians 1-2

I. Paul had a clear conscience. (2 Corinthians 1:12-24)
   a. Do all things sincerely. (2 Corinthians 1:23-24)
   b. Be serious about doing the will of God. (1 Corinthians 16:7)
   c. Seek to glorify Jesus. (2 Corinthians 1:19-20; Philippians 2:11)

II. Paul had a compassionate heart. (2 Corinthians 2:1-11)
   a. Will your trials make you Better or Bitter? (2 Corinthians 2:1-3)
   b. Paul put others first.
   c. Paul forgave and encouraged the church to do the same for three reasons.
      i. The individual was penitent. (2 Cor 2:6-7; Luke 17:3; Matt 18:15-16)
      ii. In forgiveness, they affirm their love for this brother. (2 Cor. 2:8-9; Psalm 103:12)
      iii. They must love and forgive the offender for the sake of the church. (2 Corinthians 2:10-11; Mark 11:26)

III. Paul had a conquering faith. (2 Corinthians 2:12-17)
    a. Preach the gospel. (2 Corinthians 2:17; Romans 8:28; 2 Timothy 4:2)
    b. Impact others. (2 Corinthians 2:15-16)