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II Corinthians 5:1-15
“Guaranteed”

The Holy Spirit is the deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

“To live by faith and not by sight was to, live in light of ultimate rather than immediate realities.” (David K. Lowery)

Paul’s goal was to please the Lord. All Christians will be evaluated by the Lord Jesus at the judgement seat. Salvation is not the issue of this judgment. Deeds issued from one’s faith will be evaluated. This reality motivated Paul to continue on in the face of adversity, and to simply remain faithful as he executed his ministry.

This old body is wearing down and out. The encouragement for Paul was knowing that a better body awaited him, one not made with hands, rather, eternal in the heavens!

Application:

God has guaranteed believers that He will be with them in this life, in the realm of mortal men and women. God has guaranteed believers that for all who have come to Him in saving faith, there is a new body, an immortal one waiting for His children. God has guaranteed that to be absent from this old tent we now live in, is to be present with Him for eternity. Knowing that all of this is guaranteed by the One who cannot lie, God, this should be impactful in your Christian life. The fruit of this Word from God is that of strong motivation for His disciples to serve Him with delight, determination, and with a sense of urgency. In view of service, meditate on **Proverbs 24:11**. In view of eternity, meditate on **II Peter 3:11**.