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Please take a moment to quiet yourself before God. Ask Him to forgive you for any sin that is on your heart and to fill you afresh with His Holy Spirit.

Now please read 2 Corinthians 6:1-5.

**According to verse 1 with whom do we work?**

What a privilege that God invites us to be coworkers with His Son Jesus. The Greek word used for *workers together* is *synergeo* which means to actually labor *with* another to accomplish a common goal. When we join God in His kingdom work it is not that we are working on our own but that He is working along side us every step of the way.

**When is the day of salvation (verse 2)?**

The day of salvation is now. If you are wondering if this is the right time to share the love of Christ with your family, friends, coworkers or neighbors the answer is yes! *Today* is the day that someone you know needs to receive the salvation of the Lord. Today is the day of salvation and bringing the salvation of Christ to the world is the heart of our ministry as co laborers of God.

**What will mark our ministry be marked by at times (verse 4)?**

When we join ourselves with God in His kingdom work we can expect trials, tribulations, needs, distresses, hard work and physical suffering. But as the

word of God says it is so much better to suffer hardships for doing good than for doing evil.

**What is the reason that as Christians we can persevere through the suffering and trials that beset us?**

Romans 8:28 promises that all things will work for the good for those who love and serve the Lord and are called according to His purpose. Even Jesus suffered in His work upon the earth but for the joy set before Him endured the suffering of the cross. We can endure because we are not storing up for ourselves treasures on earth where moths and rust destroy and thieves break in and steal. We are living for eternal rewards and to hear our Master say, "Well done my good and faithful servant."

At times we may doubt God's calling upon our life because we experience continual hardship, opposition or suffering—just the opposite is often true. May we reach a point in our walk with the Lord that we will no longer equate ease and pleasure with the approval of God.

Continue in the work that you have been called and anointed to do. Your Father loves you, He sees your suffering and He is your Great Reward.

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