

The Moment Called Life

2 Corinthians 4:16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 17 For our light affliction, **which is but for a moment**, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; 18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

A. Moment for Comfort

2 Corinthians 4:16-17 For which cause we faint not; For our light affliction, **which is but for a moment**, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

Although the length of a moment in modern seconds was therefore not fixed, on average, a moment corresponded to 90 seconds. *Wikipedia*

Paul's qualification:

Paul died 65AD, gone for 1,958 years.

2 Corinthians 11:23-27 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more;

- In labours more abundant,
- In stripes above measure,
- In prisons more frequent,
- In deaths oft.



A summary.

1. Of the Jews **five times** received I forty stripes save one.
(195 times)
2. **Thrice** was I beaten with rods,
3. Once was I stoned,
4. **Thrice** I suffered shipwreck,
5. A night and a day I have been in the deep;
6. In journeyings often,
7. In perils of waters, Perils: *kindynos*: a danger. exposure to
the risk of being injured, destroyed.
8. In perils of robbers,
9. In perils by mine own countrymen,
10. In perils by the heathen,
11. In perils in the city,
12. In perils in the wilderness,

13. In perils in the sea,
14. In perils among false brethren;
15. In weariness and painfulness,
16. In watchings often, [sleeplessness]
17. In hunger and thirst,
18. In fastings often, [voluntary lack of food]
19. In cold and nakedness.

2 Corinthians 1:8 For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that **we despaired even of life**: [to renounce all hope]

Galatians 6:17.....I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.

Hebrews 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

B. Moment for Correction

2 Corinthians 4:16-17 For which cause we faint not; For our light affliction, **which is but for a moment**, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

“Soon the glories of this life will all be past, but only what you do for Christ will last.” *Neal Morse.*

C. Moment for Conviction

2 Corinthians 4:17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

Proverbs 23:5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

James 4:14 It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. [A moment.]