

## 2 Corinthians 5:16-6:1

<sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view;<sup>[a]</sup> even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view,<sup>[b]</sup> we know him no longer in that way. <sup>17</sup> So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! <sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; <sup>19</sup> that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,<sup>[c]</sup> not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. <sup>20</sup> So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup> For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

**6** As we work together with him,<sup>[d]</sup> we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain.

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**As you hear the text read, where does your imagination stop?**

**Are there words, phrases, ideas that grasp you?**

**How do you think the Spirit of God might be nudging you?**

**How might the Spirit be speaking to us in our role as leaders?**