

The Ministry of Reconciliation - 2 Corinthians 7:2-16

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 - A. The desire: to repent, v. 7

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- C. Honest growth, v. 14

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- Who encourages you when you are in despair or need?
- How are you evidencing repentance to those around you?
- What role does godly sorrow play in your personal growth and repentance?
- How can you discern between false sorrow and godly sorrow in your life and the lives of others?
- How does Paul's example of openness and honesty challenge you to be more vulnerable in your own relationships?

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