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2023 Annual Study

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The Simplicity in Christ

- 1. Second Corinthians 11:3 (King James Version) “But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ”.**
- 2. The Apostle Paul contended for our faith; not simply his own. In doing so, the Apostle Paul emphasized that the strength of life is in the weakness. The Apostle Paul understood that in the complexity of life itself, The Christ beckons to release the complexity at the cross.**

This is the Greatest Freedom

- 3. In this message of the Apostle Paul, is a personal relation to the weight of the message concerning himself because without the personal image there is no strength - the Apostle Paul had boasting in his weakness as the only true-life strength (Fee & Stuart, 2002).**

Fee, G. D. & Stuart, D. (2002). *How to read the bible*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan

- 4. In Genesis 1:27 (Various Approved Versions) this is significant because humanity is the only being created in the image of God. In the Apostle Paul’s weakness is the strength.**

The July 4th message this year is simple