

Doug Baker | August 21, 2022 Glory Through Persecution 2 Corinthians 4:7-18

 _____ to everyday people to _____

2 Corinthians 4:7

"The gospel is not merely a message that confronts the mind, but an explosive power that turns a person's life upside down. On May 18, 1980 Mount St. Helens in the Cascade region of Washington exploded with a stunning demonstration of nature's power. The explosion ripped 1300 feet off the mountain and leveled 150 foot Douglas firs 17 miles away. We stand in awe of such force and yet forget the far more expansive power that is unleashed in the preaching of the Gospel." Linda Belleville, *2 Corinthians IVP Commentary*

2. God ______ the extraordinary life of Jesus

2 Corinthians 4:8-12

3. God ______ everyday people to ______ extraordinary thanksgiving to God

2 Corinthians 4:12-15

Paul's reasons for sharing the Gospel

- a. He believed it was true, v 13
- b. He believed in eternal life, v 14
- c. He knew it would benefit others, v 15
- 4. God allows ______ of everyday people to ______ them for extraordinary glory

2 Corinthians 4:16-18