How to Have Hope in a World of Hurt Passage: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 Aaron Nicholson

| 1. Read <b>2 Corinthians 11:23-28</b> ; <b>12:7-8</b> . Why was it remarkable for the apostle |
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| Paul to say, "Therefore, we do not lose heart" in 2 Corinthians 4:16? What would              |
| it mean for him to lose heart? How might you be tempted to lose heart in your                 |
| own walk with Christ today?   |

2. Read **2 Corinthians 4:16**. What does it mean to experience inner renewal? Who does the renewing? What are the means of inner renewal? See **Romans 6:8-23**; **James 1:22-25**, and **1 Peter 2:1-3**.

3. Read **2 Corinthians 4:17**. What afflictions are you currently experiencing? How might God be using them to work out an eternal weight of glory for you? See **1 Peter 1:3-9**; **4:12-19**.

4. Read **2 Corinthians 4:18**. How does one look at visible and temporary things? How does one look at invisible and eternal things? See **2 Corinthians 5:1-10**.

