# 2 Corinthians 6

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# **Text**

### Greek

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greek

Meaning

\* To Become \* To Come into being \* Generate \* To Happen \* Brought to pass

Different from εἰμί (which means "to be" - a state of existence); γίνομαι, instead, emphasizes coming to be - a transition or event. John 1:14 John 1:3 Matthew 6:10 ἐτεροζυγοῦντες ἀπίστοις· τίς γὰρ μετοχὴ δικαιοσύνη καὶ plugin-autotooltip\_default plugin-autotooltip\_bigκαί

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Christ means "anointed one"

The equivalent Hebrew word is Messiah (מָשִּׁיחַ)

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## **ESV**

- 1 Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain.
- For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.
- 3 We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry,
- but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities,
- | beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger;
- 6 by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love,
- by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left;
- 8 through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true;
- 9 as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed;
- as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.
- 11 We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open.
- 12 You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections.

- 13 In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.
- Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?
- 15 What accord has Christ with Belial? Or what portion does a believer share with an unbeliever?
  - What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as
- 16 God said, "I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
- Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing; then I will welcome you,
- 18 and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty."

#### NIV

- 1 As God's fellow workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain.
- Por he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.
- 3 We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited.
- Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses;
- 5 in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger;
- 6 |in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love;
- 7 in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left;
- 8 |through glory and dishonor, bad report and good report; genuine, yet regarded as impostors;
- 9 known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed;
- sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything.
- 11 We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians, and opened wide our hearts to you.
- 12 We are not withholding our affection from you, but you are withholding yours from us.
- 13 As a fair exchange-I speak as to my children-open wide your hearts also.
- Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?
- What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?
- What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the
- 16 living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."
- 17 "Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you."
- 18 "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

#### **NLT**

- As God's partners, we beg you not to accept this marvelous gift of God's kindness and then ignore it.
- For God says, "At just the right time, I heard you. On the day of salvation, I helped you." Indeed, the "right time" is now. Today is the day of salvation.
- We live in such a way that no one will stumble because of us, and no one will find fault with our ministry.

- In everything we do, we show that we are true ministers of God. We patiently endure troubles and hardships and calamities of every kind.
- We have been beaten, been put in prison, faced angry mobs, worked to exhaustion, endured sleepless nights, and gone without food.
- We prove ourselves by our purity, our understanding, our patience, our kindness, by the Holy Spirit within us, and by our sincere love.
- We faithfully preach the truth. God's power is working in us. We use the weapons of righteousness in the right hand for attack and the left hand for defense.
- We serve God whether people honor us or despise us, whether they slander us or praise us. We are honest, but they call us impostors.
- We are ignored, even though we are well known. We live close to death, but we are still alive. We have been beaten, but we have not been killed.
- Our hearts ache, but we always have joy. We are poor, but we give spiritual riches to others. We own nothing, and yet we have everything.
- 11 Oh, dear Corinthian friends! We have spoken honestly with you, and our hearts are open to you.
- 12 There is no lack of love on our part, but you have withheld your love from us.
- 13 I am asking you to respond as if you were my own children. Open your hearts to us!
- Don't team up with those who are unbelievers. How can righteousness be a partner with wickedness? How can light live with darkness?
- What harmony can there be between Christ and the devil? How can a believer be a partner with an unbeliever?
- And what union can there be between God's temple and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God said: "I will live in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they will be my people.
- Therefore, come out from among unbelievers, and separate yourselves from them, says the LORD. Don't touch their filthy things, and I will welcome you.
- 18 And I will be your Father, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty. "

# KJV

- We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.
- For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)
- 3 Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:
- But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,
- 5 In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;
- 6 By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,
- By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,
- 8 By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true;
- 9 As unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;
- As sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.
- 11 O ye Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged.
- 12 Ye are not straitened in us, but ye are straitened in your own bowels.
- 13 Now for a recompence in the same, (I speak as unto my children,) be ye also enlarged.
- Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

- 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
  - And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as
- 16 God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
- Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,
- 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

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