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"TRIUMPHANT UNVEILING"
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2 CORINTHIANS 2:14-3:6 (ESV)

Christ leads us in triumphal procession.

Christ triumphs over us so that His fragrance spreads everywhere.

Two Metaphors of Believers

I. Aroma of Christ

- People come in contact with us and experience Christ. That contact moves them from earthly to eternal.
- As ambassadors of God, we are commissioned by Him. He is the ultimate audience, and we speak in Christ.

II. Letter from Christ

Two Questions

- Who would serve as your letter?
- Who are you recommending?

God makes you sufficient to accomplish what He commands.

We have a great hope, therefore be more bold than Moses.

Result: He has removed your veil, so don't put on a new one!

- The gospel is sufficient. If we add our personal viewpoints, we promote a worldview of the gospel *AND* personal experience / preference.

"And when you hear that we look for a kingdom, you suppose, without making any inquiry, that we speak of a human kingdom. Instead, we speak of that which is with God, as can be shown from the confession of their faith made by those who are charged with being Christians, even though they know that death is the punishment awarded to those who so confess. For if we looked for a human kingdom, we would deny our Christ, so that we might not be killed. We would try to escape detection, so that we might obtain what we hope for. But since our thoughts are not fixed on the present, we are not concerned when men cut us off; since death is a debt which must at all events be paid." – Justin Martyr