Pray together to enter the study
Read text aloud (2-3 verses per person)

FRAME *2 min to read aloud*

A letter written by Paul, a follower of Jesus after Jesus' death.

He wrote this to a group of Christians in the city of Corinth, in the Corinthian church. Paul was likely imprisoned when writing this letter.

OBSERVE

5 min to reflect alone, 5 min to all share

Imagine yourself in the story. What do you see, hear, and smell?

Look for repeated words, comparisons, contrasts, and cause and effect.

Note characters, relationships, locations, time, actions, and reactions.

INTERPRET

3 min to gather q's, 12 min to discuss

Develop some questions based on your observations. What stirs your curiosity?

Imagine the perspective of the people in the scene.

Answer your questions from the text and context.

SUMMARIZE & SPOTLIGHT

1 min to read the summary aloud

This is an excerpt of Paul's letter to the Corinthian church. He writes about what God is doing even in his desperate ministry context of imprisonment and persecution.

3 min to individually write a main point
2 min for all to share, end with leader

TRUSTING GOD IN NURSING SCHOOL: RELYING ON OURSELVES OR GOD

2 Corinthians 1:8 – 11 (NIV)

8 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about the
troubles we experienced in the province of Asia. We were under great
pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life
itself. 9 Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death. But this
happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the
dead. 10 He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us
again. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us, 11 as
you help us by your prayers. Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the
gracious favor granted us in answer to the prayers of many.

APPLY

5 min for individual reflection, 5 min to share as a group

Nursing school and healthcare can be very stressful. How do you tend to rely on yourself in stressful situations? How can you ask God for help in clinicals, with your family, or with patients? Write your application from the passage below:

CONCLUDE

5 min to pray for each other and your applications

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