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Two Dispensations

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Text: 2 Corinthians 3:4-9

(Two people meet each other in the center of the stage/chancel)

- 1: How's it going?
- 2: Couldn't be worse. How's it by you?
- 1: Couldn't be better.
- 1&2 together: 1: Gee, that's too bad! 2: Gee, that's great!
- 2: Gotta try harder.
- 1: Don't have to worry.
- 2: It's all so futile.
- 1: It's all so marvelous.
- 1 & 2: What are you talking about?
- 2: The Code.
- 1: The Spirit.
- 2: It's grating.
- 1: It's great.
- 2: You know, I've already sinned a dozen times today.
- 1: Feel like I've been forgiven at least two dozen times this morning.
- 2: It's maddening.
- 1: It's marvelous.
- 2: "Don't do this; don't do that!"
- 1: "God in peace, your sins are forgiven."
- 2: It feels like such a prison.
- 1: I feel pretty free.
- 2: "The wages of sin is death."
- 1: "The free gift of God is eternal life."
- 2: Law, Law, Law.
- 1: Gospel, Gospel and more Gospel.
- 2: Pretty bad news.
- 1: Sounds pretty good to me.
- 2: Do you ever stop to consider where it's all heading?
- 1: (pleased) Yeah!
- 2: Something's got to be done.
- 1: Funny, I thought it already was.
- 2: Seems to me God spoke pretty clearly when He gave us His commandments.
- 1: But clearest of all when He gave us His Son.
- 2: Aren't you frightened?
- 1: Not particularly. Aren't you joyful?

2: Not particularly. I look into the future and see the big unknown.
1: I see the returning Christ.
2: We know what He wants us to be like.
1: I know what He's like.
2: Pure and holy.
1: Us or Him?
2: Both?
1: We are.
2: I'm not. And that's what bothers me.
1: I am, at least because of Christ, and that's what makes me happy.
2: There's still no way of getting around the Old Covenant.
1: I thought the New Covenant had taken care of that.
2: Do you always have to have the last word?
1: Haven't you heard? Christ's Gospel is always the final word!

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