

2 Corinthians 10

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10 Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in presence am base among you, but being absent am bold toward you: (I wrote a strong letter to you in order to open your eyes; but in person, I am humble before you)

²But I beseech you, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence, wherewith I think to be bold against some, which think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.

(These people were kind to Paul and his students. They embraced the teaching of God's Word. Paul was God's chosen vessel to teach to the Gentiles) see Act-9:15

(There were other preachers there who would call Paul common and crude. He spoke many languages, but his Greek was "street Greek". He wasn't "polished" enough for them. They were thinking in the flesh, not spiritually. Paul was one of the greatest Bible teachers that walked the earth)

³For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (It's a spiritual war against those who hate God. It's about teaching the Word of God. It's not about teaching traditions of men, taught by smooth talking con men in a priest's clothing)

⁴(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) (These are strongholds of men; not of God. They are also strongholds of Satan and of evil spirits. They cannot stand against the power of Almighty God)

(Jesus said – you will know the truth and the truth shall set you free)
John-8:32

⁵Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; (These are political correctness, philosophy, sensationalism, communism and other traditions of men that go against God's Word)

⁶And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled. (God protects His people from the evils of this world. Satan is called the prince of the air. Be aware of what you see and hear. Stick to the true Word of God and avoid the inane ramblings of this world. It's all nonsense)

⁷Do ye look on things after the outward appearance? if any man trust to himself that he is Christ's, let him of himself think this again, that, as he is Christ's, even so are we Christ's. (Discern people by their actions and their character; not by their physical appearance. That is how God looks at people)

(But don't judge anyone. Only God is qualified to judge. Discerning good from evil is not judging. It's just common sense)

⁸For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed: (God sent Paul to them. HE worked miracles through Paul in order to prove to the people that He was with Paul. God gave Paul the right to teach boldly)

⁹That I may not seem as if I would terrify you by letters.

¹⁰For his letters, say they, are weighty and powerful; but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible. (Paul spoke "street Greek")

(Other preachers, who were starting their own churches, would try to demean Paul; so that they could bring people into their churches, in order to get their tithes. Nothing new there)

¹¹Let such an one think this, that, such as we are in word by letters when we are absent, such will we be also in deed when we are present. (Paul taught the truth, in person and in his letters. Let the false preachers say what they want. Their teachings are the traditions of men, not the Word of God. They will fail every time)

¹²For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not

wise. (This is talking about false preachers who do it for the money and for their ego. They even compete between themselves to pretend that they are the greatest. They claim that they are modern day "prophets". We still see that today)

¹³ But we will not boast of things without our measure, but according to the measure of the rule which God hath distributed to us, a measure to reach even unto you. (God has a plan for us. Stay away from traditions of men. The Word of God is the truth. It's not about the preacher and his eloquent sermons. It is about learning the Word of God; taught chapter by chapter, verse by verse)

¹⁴ For we stretch not ourselves beyond our measure, as though we reached not unto you: for we are come as far as to you also in preaching the gospel of Christ: (Paul taught only God's Word; not his own imaginations. The truth never changes)

NOTES: (Today, we see the left wing trying to change the meaning of morality by adding acceptance for perversion – all in the name of inclusion. That goes directly against God's Word. Right is right and wrong is wrong)

(Also, abortion is the murder of a baby. It's not about "a woman's right to choose". We don't have the "right" to choose murder. Life begins at conception) see Luke-1

¹⁵ Not boasting of things without our measure, that is, of other men's labours; but having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly, (When you receive the truth, you'll want to pass it on to others. That glorifies God, not the preacher)

¹⁶ To preach the gospel in the regions beyond you, and not to boast in another man's line of things made ready to our hand. (God's ministry will always grow; because people instinctively know when they are hearing the truth. And we will all be blessed by it)

¹⁷ But he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. (Praise God, not the preacher. God's Word comes from God; not from a preacher)

¹⁸For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth. (Glorify God by His Word. Stay away from preachers who teach their own doctrines, and try to glorify themselves. They are not sent by God)