

2 Corinthians 11:1-12:13

- 11:1 Paul's foolishness
- 11:2-4 What the Corinthians put up with (satanic)
- 11:5-6 Paul not inferior to the super-apostles
- 11:7-11 Paul's 'sin' of not burdening the Corinthians
- 11:12-15 Marks of the false apostles (satanic)
- 11:16-18 Paul's foolishness - boasting
- 11:17-20 What the Corinthians put up with
- 11:21-23 Paul's foolishness – not inferior
 - So am I, So am I, So am I, More am I
 - Labours more abundant, prisons more abundant, floggings excessively, deaths many times
- 11:24-28
 - 6 x afflictions: 5 lashes, 3 rods, 1 stoned, 3 shipwrecked, 24 hr in the sea, travels many times
 - 8 x dangers: rivers, bandits; fellow Jews, Gentiles; city, country; sea, false believers;
 - In labour and toil, in sleeplessness many times
 - In hunger and thirst, in foodlessness many times
 - In cold and nakedness
 - Daily concern for all the churches
 - 2 x Who
- 11:30-33 Paul's boasting in weakness
- 12:1-7a What Paul could but is refraining from boasting in
- 12:7b-10 Why Paul boasts in weakness
- 12:11-13 Paul's foolishness
 - Paul not inferior to the super-apostles
 - Marks of the true apostle
 - Paul's 'sin' of not burdening the Corinthians

The climax of the letter: two patterns of leadership

1. The great fear: Seduced from Christ (11:1-4)
 - a) Bridegroom
 - b) Bride
 - c) Friend of the bridegroom
2. The despised pattern: Servant leadership (11:5-15)
 - a) Teaching
 - b) Funding Model
 - c) Ministry philosophy
3. The dominant pattern: Power leadership (11:16-21)
 - a) Default mode
 - b) Disguised
 - c) Accepted
 - d) Verbally orthodox
 - e) Functionally heretical

4. The revolutionary boast: Weakness (11:21b-12:10)

- a) Hard work
- b) Persecution
- c) Danger
- d) Deprivation & humiliation
- e) Pressure of love

5. The appeal: Paradigm shift (12:11-13)