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# Things That Shouldn't Be in Church

2 Corinthians, Part 17 (chapter 12 contd)



1. \_\_\_\_\_ **Attitudes** (vs 11-13)  
Pride destroys harmony and unity of the body of Christ.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ **Attitudes** (vs 14, 14-18)  
People should come to our church and see a big difference with other places.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Attitudes and Actions** (vs 19, 20-21)

These things are simply not to be in the church family:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (contentions)
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (outbursts of wrath)
4. \_\_\_\_\_, backbiting, whisperings, conceits
5. \_\_\_\_\_, fornication or lewdness (vs 21)

Is God's church ready to be used? Are we acting like born-again, transformed people? Don't forget who you are, or the cost paid to make you that!

2 Corinthians 12:11-21

*<sup>11</sup>I have become a fool in boasting; you have compelled me. For I ought to have been commended by you; for in nothing was I behind the most eminent apostles, though I am nothing. <sup>12</sup>Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds. <sup>13</sup>For what is it in which you were inferior to other churches, except that I myself was not burdensome to you? Forgive me this wrong!*

*<sup>14</sup>Now for the third time I am ready to come to you. And I will not be burdensome to you; for I do not seek yours, but you. For the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children. <sup>15</sup>And I will very gladly spend and be spent for your souls; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I am loved.*

*<sup>16</sup>But be that as it may, I did not burden you. Nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you by cunning! <sup>17</sup>Did I take advantage of you by any of those whom I sent to you? <sup>18</sup>I urged Titus, and sent our brother with him. Did Titus take advantage of you? Did we not walk in the same spirit? Did we not walk in the same steps?*

*<sup>19</sup>Again, do you think that we excuse ourselves to you? We speak before God in Christ. But we do all things, beloved, for your edification. <sup>20</sup>For I fear lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I wish, and that I shall be found by you such as you do not wish; lest there be contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, backbitings, whisperings, conceits, tumults; <sup>21</sup>lest, when I come again, my God will humble me among you, and I shall mourn for many who have sinned before and have not repented of the uncleanness, fornication, and lewdness which they have practiced.*