

1. Follow the EXAMPLE OF JESUS (vs 1) 以耶稣为榜样

Two words to describe his approach in dealing and ministering: 两个词形容耶稣处理和侍奉的样式:

(A) MEEKNESS (Philippians 2:7) 谦卑 (温柔)

腓立比书 2:7 反倒虚己,取了奴僕的形像,成為人的樣式;

- (B) GENTLENESS 温柔 (和平)
- 2. Use SPIRITUAL WEAPONS (vs 2-6, Acts 6:4) 用属灵的武器

使徒行传 6:4 但我們要專心以祈禱、傳道為事。

3. Don't JUDGE BY APPEARANCE (vs 7-11, James 2:2-4) 不以外貌判断

雅各书 2:2 若有一個人帶著金戒指,穿著華美衣服,進你們的會堂去;又有一個窮人穿著骯髒衣服也進去; 2:3 你們就看重那穿華美衣服的人,說:「請坐在這好位上」;又對那窮人說:「你站在那裡」,或「坐在我腳凳下邊。」2:4 這豈不是你們偏心待人,用惡意斷定人嗎?

Between statements from Paul and James, we see some important principles:

在保罗和雅各的书信中,我们看到一些重要的原则:

- (i) Be careful not to judge a person's spirituality <u>BY WORLDLY STANDARDS</u> 小心不要 <u>用世俗的标准</u> 来判断一个人的灵性
- (ii) Be careful not to judge a person as BENEATH YOU

小心 不要评价别人 不如你

4. Let God DO THE COMMENDING (vs 12-18) 让主稱許

What happens when we compare ourselves to other people? 当我们和别人比较时会发生什么?

(i) It canPUFF US UP会使我们膨胀(ii) It canDISCOURAGE US会让我们(iii) It canLEAD TO EXHAUSTION会让我们

vs 17-18 But "HE WHO GLORIES, LET HIM GLORY IN THE LORD." For not he who commends himself is approved. but whom the Lord commends."

10:17 但誇口的,當指著主誇口。 10:18 因為蒙悅納的,不是自己稱許的,乃是主所稱許的。

2 Corinthians 10:1-18

¹ Now I, Paul, myself am pleading with you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ—who in presence am lowly among you, but being absent am bold toward you. ²But I beg you that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh. ³For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. ⁴For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, ⁵casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, ⁶and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

⁷Do you look at things according to the outward appearance? If anyone is convinced in himself that he is Christ's, let him again consider this in himself, that just as he is Christ's, even so we are Christ's. ⁸For even if I should boast somewhat more about our authority, which the Lord gave us for edification and not for your destruction, I shall not be ashamed— ⁹lest I seem to terrify you by letters. ¹⁰ "For his letters," they say, "are weighty and powerful, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible." ¹¹Let such a person consider this, that what we are in word by letters when we are absent, such we will also be in deed when we are present.

¹²For we dare not class ourselves or compare ourselves with those who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise. ¹³We, however, will not boast beyond measure, but within the limits of the sphere which God appointed us—a sphere which especially includes you. ¹⁴For we are not overextending ourselves (as though our authority did not extend to you), for it was to you that we came with the gospel of Christ; ¹⁵not boasting of things beyond measure, that is, in other men's labors, but having hope, that as your faith is increased, we shall be greatly enlarged by you in our sphere, ¹⁶to preach the gospel in the regions beyond you, and not to boast in another man's sphere of accomplishment. ¹⁷But "he who glories, let him glory in the LORD." ¹⁸For not he who commends himself is approved, but whom the Lord commends.

哥林多后书 0:1 我保羅,就是與你們見面的時候是謙卑的,不在你們那裡的時候向你們是勇敢的,如今親自藉著基督的溫柔、和平勸你們。 10:2 有人以為我是憑著血氣行事,我也以為必須用勇敢待這等人;求你們不要叫我在你們那裡的時候,有這樣的勇敢。10:3 因為我們雖然在血氣中行事,卻不憑著血氣爭戰。 10:4 我們爭戰的兵器本不是屬血氣的,乃是在神面前有能力,可以攻破堅固的營壘, 10:5 將各樣的計謀,各樣攔阻人認識神的那些自高之事,一概攻破了,又將人所有的心意奪回,使他都順服基督。 10:6 並且我已經預備好了,等你們十分順服的時候,要責罰那一切不順服的人。

2Co 10:7 你們是看眼前的嗎?倘若有人自信是屬基督的,他要再想想,他如何屬基督,我們也是如何屬基督的。 10:8 主賜給我們權柄,是要造就你們,並不是要敗壞你們;我就是為這權柄稍微誇口,也不至於慚愧。 10:9 我說這話,免得你們以為我寫信是要威嚇你們; 10:10 因為有人說:「他的信又沉重又利害,及至見面,卻是氣貌不揚,言語粗俗的。」 10:11 這等人當想,我們不在那裡的時候,信上的言語如何,見面的時候,行事也必如何。

2Co 10:12 因為我們不敢將自己和那自薦的人同列相比。他們用自己度量自己,用自己比較自己, 乃是不通達的。 10:13 我們不願意分外誇口, 只要照神所量給我們的界限構到你們那裡。

2Co 10:14 我們並非過了自己的界限,好像搆不到你們那裡;因為我們早到你們那裡,傳了基督的福音。10:15 我們不仗著別人所勞碌的,分外誇口;但指望你們信心增長的時候,所量給我們的界限,就可以因著你們更加開展,10:16 得以將福音傳到你們以外的地方;並不是在別人界限之內,藉著他現成的事誇口。10:17 但誇口的,當指著主誇口。10:18 因為蒙悅納的,不是自己稱許的,乃是主所稱許的。