

Message Notes

Accepting other Jesuses

Scripture Passages

(taken from the English Standard Version)

Introduction – Asking Jill’s dad for permission

Sermon Series: A Study of 2 Corinthians

Quick Recap

- The Players: Paul, the Corinthians, and the “Super Apostles”

Mini Series: Real/Fake Authority

Today’s Message:

Accepting other Jesuses
2 Corinthians 11:1-4

- Two weeks ago: What is spiritual authority?

A chief aim of spiritual authority:

“For even if I boast somewhat freely about the authority the Lord gave us **for building you up rather than pulling you down**, I will not be ashamed of it.”
2 Corinthians 10:8

- Last week: What is a proper commendation?

A little foolishness

2 Corinthians 11:1 (see: 11:16, 21, 22)

“I’m jealous for you.”

2 Corinthians 11:2

Exodus 34:14

The Bachelorette - church edition

1 Corinthians 4:14-15

The Garden of Eden, Part 2

2 Corinthians 11:3

Genesis 3:1-7, 13

Another Jesus?

2 Corinthians 11:4

In faith, matter *and* manner matter

1 Timothy 3:2

Who are you giving spiritual authority to?

Gospel Application

- Is there anything keeping you from pure devotion to Christ?
- What are the “other Jesuses” being preached to you?
- Who are you giving spiritual authority to in your life?

2 Corinthians 11:1-4

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3But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ. 4For if someone comes and proclaims another Jesus than the one we proclaimed, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or if you accept a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it readily enough.

Exodus 34:14

You shall worship no other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God.

Genesis 3:1-7, 13

1Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” 2And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, 3but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” 4But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die.

5For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate... 13 Then the Lord God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”





A STUDY OF 2 CORINTHIANS



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Paul



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Corinthians

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Corinthians

**“Super
Apostles”**

AUTHORITY:

BRAKE

Two weeks ago:
Spiritual Authority:
What it is and what it is not!



A chief aim of spiritual authority

2 Corinthians 10:7-11

⁸For even if I boast somewhat freely about the authority the Lord gave us for building you up rather than pulling you down, I will not be ashamed of it.

Last week's Message:
What is a proper commendation?



Comparisons are foolish!

2 Corinthians 10:12-18

¹²Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves...

Death by Comparison

Proper Boasting #1

God to you (through us)

2 Corinthians 10:12-18

¹³But we will not boast beyond limits...



Proper Boasting #2

It's all about God!

2 Corinthians 10:12-18

¹⁷“Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”



BIG QUESTION

**Who are you giving spiritual authority
to in your life?**

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INDIE JESUS



majestic locks

epic beard

long sleeve button down

vintage sweater vest

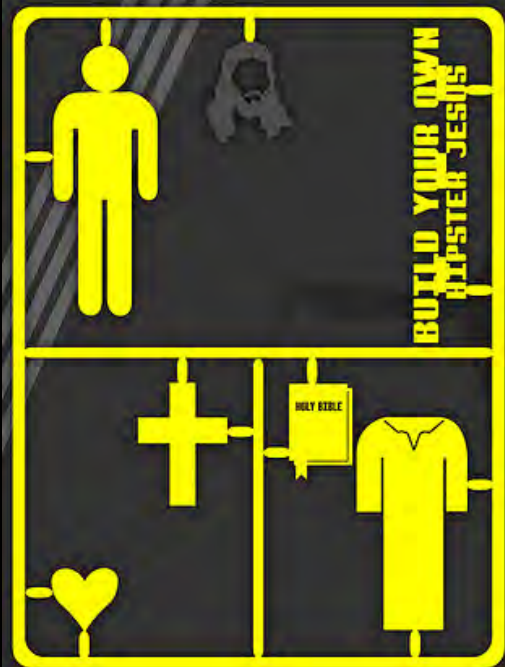
vintage belt

hairy arms

incredibly worn jeans

flip flops





**BUILD YOUR OWN
HIPSTER JESUS**



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²²Are they Hebrews? So am I.

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1 Corinthians 4:14-15

¹⁴I do not write these things to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. ¹⁵For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The Bachelorette – Corinth edition

“The responsibility of safeguarding his daughter’s virginity fell to the father (see Deut 22:13–21). This image of betrothal suggests that the Corinthians’ marriage to Christ awaits consummation when Paul will present them to him at the Parousia. In the meantime they keep the spiritual father of the bride on tenterhooks lest she be defiled and disqualified for the marriage. He feels a divine jealousy, as any father would, to preserve the purity of the bride for her husband.”

~David Garland

The New American Commentary: 2 Corinthians





The Garden of Eden, Part 2

2 Corinthians 11:3

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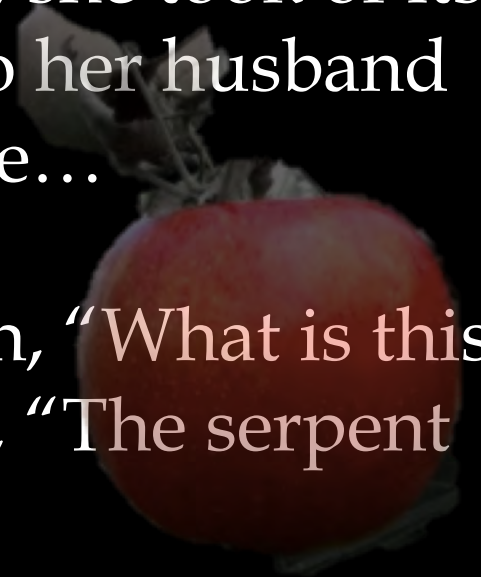


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Led astray



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13:4 For he was crucified in weakness,
but lives by the power of God.

In faith,
matter *and manner*
matter

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1 Timothy 3:2

²Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, ³not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money.

A different Spirit

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“While one aspect of the Spirit’s role is the working of signs, wonders, and miracles, it is a role that serves to validate the gospel, not displace it. The core of the gospel, according to Paul, is Christ crucified, not Jesus the wonder-worker.”

~Linda Belleville, 2nd Corinthians



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What their *different* gospel looks like

1. *Self boasting/arrogance*
 2. *Permission to lord it over others*
 3. *Berate the humble*
 4. *Emphasize human standards*
 5. *Acknowledge rhetoric*
1. *Importance placed on ethnicity*
 2. *Visions required*
 3. *Condoned vices (e.g. quarreling, anger, factions, slander, gossip, sexual immorality - 12:20-21)*

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