

Boasting in The Lord Part 6

2 Corinthians 11:10-31 10 As the truth of Christ is in me, **this boasting of mine** will not be stopped in the regions of Achaia.

11 Why? Because I do not love you? God knows I do!

12 But what I am doing I will continue to do (v:1) , **so that I may cut off opportunity** from those who desire an opportunity to be regarded just as we are in the **matter** about which they are **boasting**.

13 For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, **disguising** themselves as apostles of Christ.

Some version translate "disguise" as "masquerading".

14 **No wonder**, for even Satan **disguises** himself as an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also **disguise** themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds.

16 Again I say, let no one think me foolish; but if you do, receive me even as foolish, so that I also may **boast a little**. 17 What I am saying, I am not saying as the Lord would, but as in foolishness, in this **confidence of boasting**. 18 Since **many boast according to the flesh, I will boast also.**

19 For you, being so wise, tolerate the foolish gladly. 20 For you tolerate it if anyone enslaves you, anyone devours you, anyone takes advantage of you, anyone exalts himself, anyone hits you in the face.

21 To my shame I must say that we have been weak by comparison. But in whatever respect anyone else is bold—I speak in foolishness—I am just as bold myself.

22 Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I.

23 Are they servants of Christ?—I speak as if insane—I more so; in far more labors, in far more imprisonments, beaten times without number, often in **danger** of death. 24 Five times I received from the Jews thirty-nine lashes. 25 Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, a night and a day I have spent in the deep. 26 I have been on frequent journeys, in **dangers** from rivers, **dangers** from robbers, **dangers** from my countrymen, **dangers** from the Gentiles, **dangers** in the city, **dangers** in the wilderness, **dangers** on the sea, **dangers** among false brethren;

27 I have been in labor and hardship, through many sleepless nights, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. 28 Apart from such external things, there is the daily pressure on me of concern for all the churches. 29 Who is weak without my being weak? Who is led into sin without my intense concern?

30 If I have to **boast**, **I will boast of what pertains to my weakness**. 31 The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying.

2 Corinthians 12:9-12 9 And He has said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness.” Most gladly, therefore, I will rather **boast about my weaknesses**, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. 10 Therefore I am well content with weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ’s sake; **for when I am weak, then I am strong**.

11 I have become foolish; you yourselves compelled me. Actually I should have been commended by you, for in no respect was I inferior to the most eminent apostles, even though I am a nobody. 12 The signs of a true apostle were performed among you with all perseverance, **by signs and wonders and miracles**.

Jude 1:1-4 1 Jude, a **bond-servant** of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, To those who are the called, beloved in God the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ:

Mark 9: 33 They came to Capernaum; and when He was in the house, He *began* to question them, “What were you discussing on the way?” 34 But they kept silent, for on the way they had discussed with one another which *of them was* the greatest. 35 Sitting down, He called the twelve and said to them, “If anyone wants to be first, he shall be last of all and servant (doulos) of all.”

Romans 6:22 But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Jude 1:2 May mercy and peace and love be multiplied to you.

3 Beloved, while I was making every effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you **appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith** which was once for all handed down to the saints.

4 **For** certain persons have **crept in unnoticed**, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who **turn** the grace of our God into licentiousness and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

Titus 2: 11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, 14 who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a

Jude 1:10-13 10 But these men revile the things which they do not understand; and the things which they know by instinct, like unreasoning animals, by these things they are destroyed. 11 Woe to them! For they have gone the way of Cain, and for pay they have rushed headlong into the error of Balaam, and perished in the rebellion of Korah. 12 These are the men who are **HIDDEN** reefs in your love feasts when they feast with you without fear, caring for **THEMSELVES**; clouds without water, carried along by winds; autumn trees without fruit, doubly dead, uprooted; 13 wild waves of the sea, casting up their own shame like foam; wandering stars, for whom the black darkness has been reserved forever.

Jude 1:14-16 14 It was also about these men that Enoch, in the seventh generation from Adam, prophesied, saying, “Behold, the Lord came with many thousands of His holy ones, 15 to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the **ungodly** of all their **ungodly** deeds which they have done in an **ungodly** way, and of all the harsh things which **ungodly** sinners have spoken against Him.” 16 These are **grumblers, finding fault**, following after their **OWN** lusts; they speak arrogantly, flattering people for the sake of gaining an advantage.

Jude 1:17-25 17 But you, beloved, **ought to remember** the words that were spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ,

18 that they were saying to you, “In the last time there will be mockers, following after their **OWN** ungodly lusts.”

19 These are the ones **who cause divisions**, worldly-minded, devoid of the Spirit.

20 BUT you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, 21 keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life.

22 And have mercy on some, who are doubting; 23 save others, snatching them out of the fire; and on some have mercy with fear, hating even the garment polluted by the flesh.

24 **Now to Him who is able** to **keep you** from stumbling, and to **make you** stand **in the presence of His glory** blameless with great joy,

25 to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, **be glory**, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

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