

BE A BRINGER

"40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus...." John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;...." I Samuel 12:23a



MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

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PRAISE

- Praise God that 34 people have trusted Christ through recent outreach efforts during the World Cup activities.
- Praise God for opportunities to share the Gospel with people from around the world, including visitors from South Africa, Turkey, Brazil, and the United States.
- Praise God for the faithful witness of church members who have shared the Gospel with hundreds of people and invited many to learn more about Christ.

PRAY

- Pray for the 34 new believers as they begin their walk with Christ and seek to grow in their faith.
- Pray for those who heard the Gospel but have not yet made a decision, that the Lord would continue to work in their hearts.
- Pray for continued boldness, wisdom, and open doors as the team takes advantage of World Cup outreach opportunities and follows up with those interested in visiting church.

Give By Faith

2 Corinthians 10:15 speaks about humility, faith, and the importance of working together within the body of Christ. Paul, the author of this letter, emphasizes that he does not want to boast about work that he did not do. Instead, he expresses hope that as the faith of the Corinthians increases, they will willingly support and expand the mission of sharing the Gospel. This idea carries significant weight, suggesting that growth in faith should lead to a community that works collaboratively, joyfully supporting one another.

Within this context, we see a key teaching: boasting in someone else's achievements dilutes our own journey. When we focus on what others have done or achieved, we may overlook God's specific calling for ourselves. Paul is gentle in his encouragement to the Corinthians, reminding them to pursue their growth as a church, which will naturally lead to the furtherance of the ministry. He is nurturing their faith, illustrating how it leads us against self-centeredness by shifting focus on building one another up.

By stating he does not boast in the work of others, Paul is striving to clarify the genuine relationship he has with the Corinthian believers. He desires for them to grow into their faith while also being mindful of who gets the credit for their journey – God. It is a gentle reminder that spiritual maturity doesn't result from comparing ourselves to others or seeking glory from what others have achieved. Instead, it is built through faith that is nurtured within supportive relationships.

While it is easy to compare ourselves to others, the lesson in humility shines through the teachings in this verse. Strengthening our faith must come from a place of authenticity and a desire for personal growth rather than seeking recognition for our achievements. We must learn to rely on the support of others while also giving credit where it's due. It's vital to aid each other's growth instead of trying to claim personal glory in someone else's hard work.

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KEY VERSE

II Corinthians 10:15 (NKJV)

“not 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.”

Read II Corinthians 10:13-18 Every Day

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: II Corinthians 10:15

Introduction

1. What is the lesson we are to take from II Corinthians 10:15? What is it teaching us about the importance of humility?
2. According to paragraph 3 on pg. 1 what is Paul trying to “clarify” to the Corinthian believers? *Who* should we give *all* credit to for our journey?

Tuesday: II Cor. 10:13-14; I Cor. 15:1,3-4; Acts 4:12; Luke 16:9

The Priority Of Giving Is The Gospel

3. II Corinthians 10:13 states: *“We, however will not boast beyond measure.”* Do you have boastful people in your church? Are YOU one of them?
4. Why is the message Paul delivers to the Corinthians in 1 Corinthians 15:1 and 3-4 his *priority*?

Wednesday: II Cor. 10:15a; Heb. 11:1,6 Ecc. 5:4; Phil. 4:15-18

The Foundation Of Giving Is Faith

5. What fundamental lesson is given to us in Malachi 3:10 in regard to our giving? How are we called to “tithe” to the church?
6. How was Paul aided by others in his ministry according to Philippians 4:15-18? Who provided for him? What missions do YOU provide for?

Thursday: II Cor. 10:15b-16; Isaiah 54:2; Acts 1:8; Rev. 5:9

The Outcome Of Giving Is Growth

7. II Corinthians 10:15b states; *“we shall be greatly enlarged by you in our sphere.”* What kind of growth are they referring to?
8. Isaiah 54:2 begins with; *“Enlarge the place of your tent”* symbolizing growth of the church. How can we help our church prepare for growth?
9. While it is very important to give money and support to the church, what else is required of us according to Acts 1:8?

Friday: II Corinthians 10:17-18; Psalm 50:14, 115:1

The Attitude Of Giving Is Praise

10. Psalm 50:14 is not only a short, but clear message given to us as believers. To *Whom* do we offer *all* of our thanksgiving and praise?
11. What wisdom do we gain from II Corinthians 10:18? Are those who *“commend themselves”* approved by the Lord?
12. How often are YOU giving praise to the Lord for what He’s done in your life? How do YOU praise Him with your giving?