



STRENGTH

IN

WEAKNESS

A SERIES IN 2 CORINTHIANS

HAPPY
Mothers
Day





2 Corinthians 12:20

For I fear that perhaps when I come I may find you not as I wish, and that you may find me not as you wish—



2 Corinthians 12:20

For I fear that perhaps when I come I may find you not as I wish, and that you may find me not as you wish—that perhaps there may be quarreling, jealousy, anger, hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.



2 Corinthians 12:21

I fear that when I come again
my God may humble me before you,
and I may have to mourn over many of those
who sinned earlier and have not repented of the impurity,
sexual immorality, and sensuality that they have practiced.



2 Corinthians 13:1-2

This is the third time I am coming to you.



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Every charge must be established by the evidence
of two or three witnesses.



2 Corinthians 13:1-2

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Every charge must be established by the evidence
of two or three witnesses.

I warned those who sinned before and all the others,
and I warn them now while absent, as I did when present on
my second visit,



2 Corinthians 13:2

that if I come again I will not spare them—



2 Corinthians 13:2,3

that if I come again I will not spare them—
since you seek proof that Christ is speaking in me.



2 Corinthians 13:2,3

that if I come again I will not spare them—
since you seek proof that Christ is speaking in me.
He is not weak in dealing with you,
but is powerful among you.



2 Corinthians 13:2-4

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since you seek proof that Christ is speaking in me.

He is not weak in dealing with you,
but is powerful among you.

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



2 Corinthians 13:4

For we also are weak in him,
but in dealing with you
we will live with him by the power of God.



DEALING WITH SIN IN THE LOCAL CHURCH

2CORINTHIANS 12:20-13:4



1. THE DESTRUCTIVENESS OF SIN





WARNING:
SMOKING LEADS TO DEATH
FROM LUNG CANCER
You CAN Quit  Quitline 1800 438 2000

WARNING:
SMOKING CAUSES
PREMATURE AGEING
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Viceroy Hokkaido Mint
Blue Boost 20

Viceroy Hokkaido
Purple Boost

2 Corinthians 12:20

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hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.



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1 Corinthians 1:11

For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is
quarreling among you, my brothers.



2 Corinthians 12:20

... quarreling, jealousy, anger,
hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.

1 Corinthians 3:3

there is **jealousy and strife** among you...



2 Corinthians 12:20

... quarreling, jealousy, anger,
hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.

1 Corinthians 11:18

there are **divisions** among you



2 Corinthians 12:20

... quarreling, jealousy, anger,
hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.

2 Corinthians 13:11

... agree with one another, live in peace...



2 Corinthians 12:20

... quarreling, jealousy, anger,
hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.



2 Corinthians 12:21

impurity, sexual immorality, and sensuality



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1 Corinthians 5:1

... there is **sexual immorality** among you,
and of a kind that is not tolerated even among pagans,
for a **man has his father's wife**.



2 Corinthians 12:21

impurity, sexual immorality, and sensuality

1 Corinthians 6:15

Shall I then take the members of Christ
and make them members of a **prostitute**? Never!





1. THE DESTRUCTIVENESS OF SIN



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2. THE DEFENCE AGAINST SIN



Why did they sin?



Why did they sin?

It is in the sight of God that we have been speaking in Christ,
and all for your **upbuilding**, beloved. v19



Why did they sin?

Because they are not built up in the faith.



Why did they sin?

Because they are not built up in the faith.
They are not built up in the faith because



Why did they sin?

Because they are not built up in the faith.
They are not built up in the faith because
they are listening to the false teachers and not Paul.



Why did they sin?

They sin because



Why did they sin?

They sin because
they are not following sound doctrine



Why did they sin?

They sin because
they are not following sound doctrine
but are following false teachers.



2. THE DEFENCE AGAINST SIN



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Sound Doctrine



Psalm 119:9

How can a young man keep his way **pure**?
By guarding it according to your **word**.



Psalm 119:11

I have stored up your **word** in my heart,
that I might not **sin** against you.



1 Timothy 6:3–4

If anyone teaches a different doctrine and does not agree with the sound words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the **teaching that accords with godliness**, he is puffed up



2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is breathed out by God
and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction,
and for training in **righteousness...**



Titus 1:1

Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ,
for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their
knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness



2 Timothy 4:2

preach the word; be ready in season and out of season;
reprove, rebuke, and exhort,
with complete patience and teaching.



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Ephesians 4:15–16

Rather, **speaking the truth in love**, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when **each part is working properly**, **makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.**



2. THE DEFENCE AGAINST SIN

Sound Doctrine



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Sound Doctrine
Avoid False Teachers



Titus 1:9

He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught,
so that he may be able to give instruction in **sound doctrine**



Titus 1:9

He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught,
so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine
and also to **rebuke those who contradict it.**



Romans 16:17

I appeal to you, **brothers**, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; **avoid them.**



Ephesians 4:11–14

And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists,
the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints



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for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ...



Ephesians 4:11–14

And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists,
the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints
for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ...
so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro
by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine,
by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.





**TOTAL
DEFENCE**

It's personal. Play your part.

1. THE DESTRUCTIVENESS OF SIN



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2. THE DEFENCE AGAINST SIN



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2. THE DEFENCE AGAINST SIN

3. THE DELIVERANCE FROM SIN



1. Speak



1. Speak

I warned those who sinned before and all the others,
and I warn them now while absent (13:2)



1. Speak

Matthew 18:15

If your brother sins against you, **go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone.**

If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.



1. Speak

Galatians 6:1

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, **you** who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness.



2. "Spank"



2. "Spank"

1 Corinthians 4:21

Shall I come to you with a **rod**,
or with love in a spirit of gentleness?



2. "Spank"

1 Corinthians 5:13

Purge the evil person from among you.



2. “Spank”

1 Timothy 1:20

among whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have
handed over to Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme.



2. “Spank”

Matthew 18:17

And if he refuses to listen even to the church,
let him be to you **as a Gentile and a tax collector.**



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