

FULLER STREET CHURCH

VIRTUAL LEARNING COMMUNITY
June 7, 2026 ~ 10:00–12:00 A.M.

OUR WARFARE IS NOT CARNAL!

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MEETING AGENDA

- **Opening of Service:** Prayer
- **Meet & Greet**
- **Announcements & Black History Spotlight**
- **Study Topic:** ***Our Warfare Is Not Carnal!***
- **Lesson Text:**
  - **II Corinthian 10:1-18**
- **Closing of Lesson:** Prayer



The Weapons of Our Warfare are Not Carnal

II Corinthians – Chapter 10

Amplified Bible

2Co 10:1 ¶ Now I, Paul, urge you by the gentleness and graciousness of Christ—I who am meek [so they say] when with you face to face, but bold [outspoken and fearless] toward you when absent!

2Co 10:2 I ask that when I do come I will not be driven to the boldness that I intend to show toward those few who regard us as if we walked according to the flesh [like men without the Spirit].

2Co 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh [as mortal men], we are not carrying on our [spiritual] warfare according to the flesh *and* using the weapons of man.

2Co 10:4 The weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood]. Our weapons are divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.

2Co 10:5 *We are* destroying sophisticated arguments and every exalted *and* proud thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God, and *we are* taking every thought *and* purpose captive to the obedience of Christ,

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2Co 10:6	TOOLS	being ready to punish every act of disobedience, when your own obedience [as a church] is complete.
2Co 10:7	TOOLS	¶ You are looking [only] at the outward appearance of things. If anyone is confident that he is Christ's, he should reflect *and* consider this, that just as he is Christ's, so too are we.
2Co 10:8	TOOLS	For even though I boast rather freely about the authority the Lord gave us for building you up and not for destroying you, I will not be ashamed [of the truth],
2Co 10:9	TOOLS	nor do I want to seem to be trying to frighten you with my letters;
2Co 10:10	TOOLS	for they say, "His letters are weighty and forceful *and* impressive, but his [fn]personal presence is unimpressive and his speech contemptible [of no account]."
2Co 10:11	TOOLS	Let such people realize that what we say by word in letters when we are absent, is the same as what *we are* in action when present.

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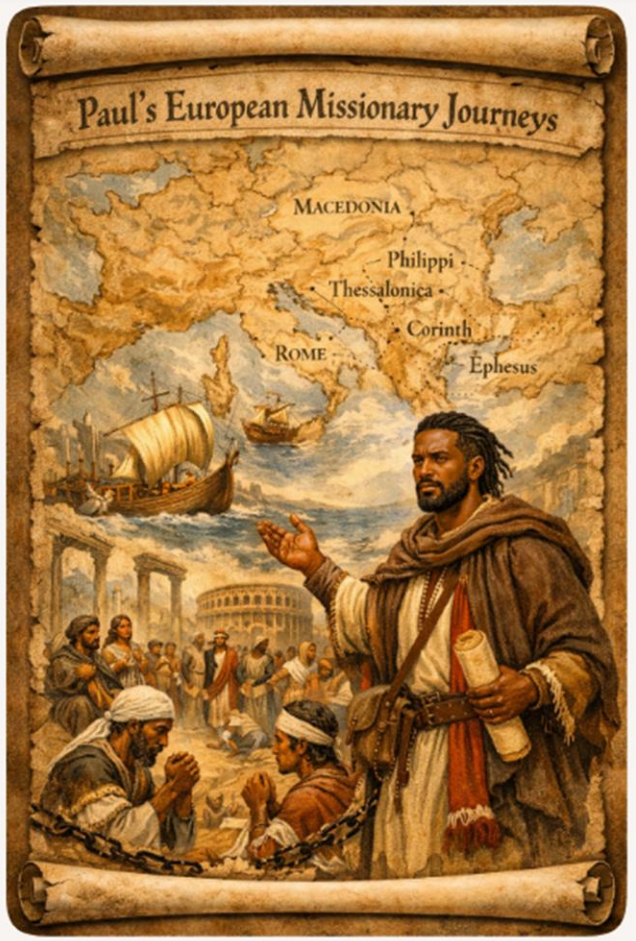
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2Co 10:12 TOOLS ¶ We do not have the audacity to put ourselves in the same class or compare ourselves with some who [supply testimonials to] commend themselves. When they measure themselves by themselves and compare themselves with themselves, they lack wisdom *and* behave like fools.

2Co 10:13 TOOLS We, on the other hand, will not boast beyond our proper limit, but [will keep] within the [fn]limits of our commission (territory, authority) which God has granted to us as a measure, which reaches *and* includes even you.

2Co 10:14 TOOLS We are not overstepping the limits of our province, as if we did not [legitimately] reach to you, for we were the [very] first to come even as far as you with the good news of Christ.

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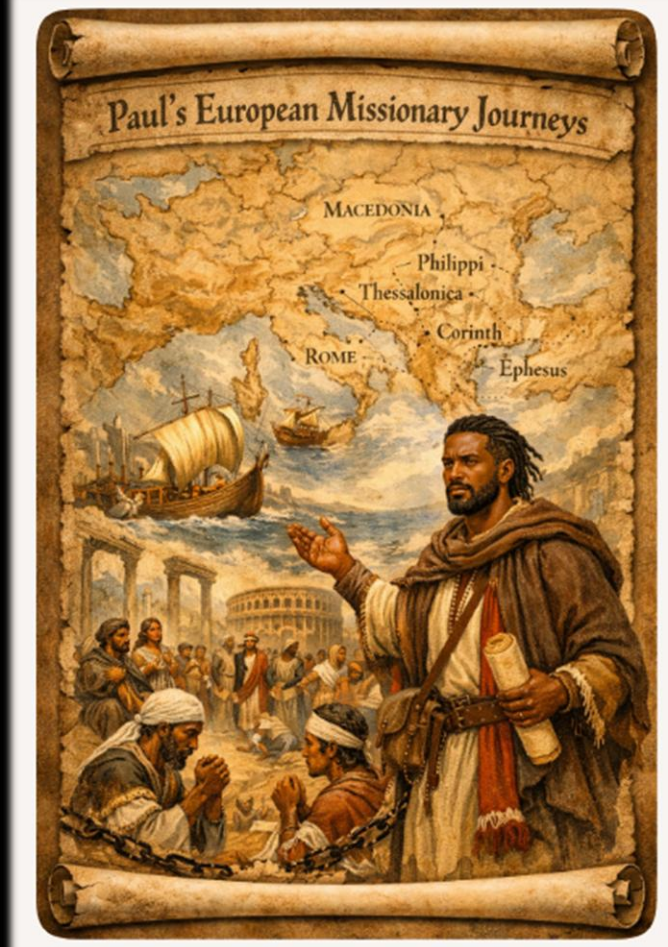
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2Co 10:15	TOOLS	We do not go beyond our proper limit, boasting in the work of other men, but we have the hope that as your faith [in Christ and His divine power] continues to grow, our field among you may be greatly expanded [but still within the limits of our commission],
2Co 10:16	TOOLS	so that *we may* preach the gospel even in the lands beyond you, but not to boast in work already accomplished in another one's field of activity.
2Co 10:17	TOOLS	However, "LET HIM WHO BOASTS BOAST IN THE LORD."
2Co 10:18	TOOLS	For it is not he who commends *and* praises himself who is approved [by God], but it is the one whom the Lord commends *and* praises.

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Lesson Summary Points

1. Paul , although hurt by the unfair treatment he was receiving by the Judaizers, remains in a gentle and patient attitude – not bitter or angry, nor seeking revenge. Pattering Christ – meek although in a position of authority and power.

2. Though accused of walking according to the world – Paul admits, although he is physically in the world, he possessed the power and authority of an apostle of Christ, who does not wage war as the world does.

3. The battles he chose to be active in was a "spiritual war", that the end results was the freedom of men's souls from the forces of darkness.

4. Spiritual strongholds can only be demolished by "spiritual weapons" used by godly believers. THE SWORD of THE SPIRIT (*YAH's* Word) by attacking "error" with truth. This is the battle of believers.

5. The world will use their thoughts, ideas, philosophies and false religions as their strong holds

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6. Paul would not stand by and let the enemies of the faith assault a church under his care. He was ready to purge them out as he did at Ephesus.
7. This debate with false apostles had forced Paul to emphasize his authority more than he cared to.
8. The false apostles had brought confusion and divisions in the church, which was evidence that their authority did not come from *YAH*, who seeks only to build his church, not tear it down.
9. The false teachers had accursed Paul of being forceful in his letters, but weak and ineffective in person.
10. Paul's only concern was what *YAH* thought of him, and not what the false teachers were saying.
11. Paul was content to stay within the bounds of the ministry *YAH* had given him – being an Apostle to the "gentile" Israelites, which included the Corinthian Jews.
12. Paul knew that when this crisis among the Corinthians had been resolved and their faith strengthened, they would help expand his ministry into new areas.



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