

**Question- To discern from whom we are seeking commendation (2 Corinthians 10:8-18)**

**Jesus- How can I be diligent in the area you have assigned to me? (v. 14-17)**



2 Corinthians 11:1-15

“Deception is always Disguised”

2 And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. <sup>2</sup> For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

**1 Corinthians 2:1–5**

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<sup>3</sup> And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, <sup>4</sup> and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,

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<sup>5</sup> so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

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**4 Answer not a fool according  
to his folly,  
lest you be like him yourself.**

**Proverbs 26:4**

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**5** Answer a fool according to his  
folly,  
lest he be wise in his own  
eyes.

**Proverbs 26:5**

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## Warning #1:

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An alluring “promise” – Satan’s deception of  
Eve

Sin always presents a false promise of  
*pleasure or selfish gain without  
consequence!*

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## Warning #2:

Our minds and thoughts can quickly become suspicious related to money and taint our hearts. (11:5-12)

**10** As the truth of Christ is in me, this boasting of mine will not be silenced in the regions of Achaia. **11** And why? Because I do not love you? God knows I do!

**2 Corinthians 11:10–11**

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## Warning #3:

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Examples of False teaching disguised as righteousness:

1. Polygamy endorsed by churches

2. The idea of "manifesting" things in our lives

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