

Capturing by Craft

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: II Corinthians 10:3-5.
- B. The gospel is the only ultimate solution to the problems of society.
- C. The Corinthians faced many of the same problems that we do today.
- D. The Apostle Paul came in to attack the problems with a spiritual solution: the gospel.

II. The gospel deals directly with the problem of social concerns by dealing with men.

- A. We are to be wise as serpents and peaceful as doves with the gospel.
- B. The gospel speaks to the empty places in man's spirit.
- C. The gospel is a purely supernatural experience. Man is an eternal being and he knows it. (Ecclesiastes)
- D. The gospel appeals to man by offering to deal with the fowl residues of sin in the life.
 - 1. Guilt.
 - 2. Fear.
 - 3. Confusion.
- E. The gospel speaks to the man and reminds him that there is a way out.
 - 1. The gospel destroys arguments.
 - 2. The gospel brings real help in love.
 - 3. The gospel has demonstrated that it works.

Application questions:

1. What problems does the gospel address in the world today? How can it be said to address all problems?

2. What does the gospel do to address these problems?

3. How can you share the gospel differently in light of the message's more robust portrayal of it here?
