

The Weapons of Warfare

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: II Corinthians 10:1-4.
- B. When a man becomes a Christian something happens radically within that makes him see the world differently.
- C. The call of Apostleship as a model Christian calls one to a radical departure from normal human manipulation.

II. We do not war according to the flesh.

- A. The flesh is inherited selfishness.
- B. Self-interest is the back of everything in the world today.
- C. The Christian is to live in the midst of the world.
- D. Though we live in the world, we do not use human methods to overcome including power politics and violence.
- E. The believer looks to what is unseen to win its battles.

III. The Christian's weapons.

- A. Truth.
 - 1. The Bible tells us of reality as it really is.
 - 2. Truth is the slickest gimmick of them all.
 - 3. The truth sets free.
- B. Love.
- C. Righteousness, which refuses to yield to expediency.
- D. Faith-prayer. Faith is the reliance and expectation of God's activity and prayer is the request for it. (Hebrews 11)

Application questions:

- 1. What are some ways that people manipulate to get what they want?

2. Why is the Christian supposed to resist human manipulation as a tool for change?

3. Which of the Christian weapons stand out to you the most? What strikes you?
