

# How Christians Attack

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## I. Introduction.

A. Text: II Corinthians 10:4-5.

B. The problems of Christians are called strongholds.

## II. The source of Christian problems.

A. Arguments and pride behinds society's problems.

1. At the heart of social problems is always pride—a human sufficiency without God.

2. There is nothing wrong with sufficiency—only sufficiency apart from God.

3. This can be manifest as wounded ego or an imperialistic self-assurance.

B. Christians must deal with these problems to be effective at all.

## III. We use the weapons of righteousness—truth, righteousness, and faith-prayer.

A. These weapons find their fulfillment in the gospel.

B. Jesus Christ and Him crucified stands at the heart of life, and nothing can be understood apart from it.

C. Arguments are not solved by counterarguments—the word of the cross is effective to accomplish every need of human life.

## IV. Steps.

A. The destruction of arguments against the knowledge of God.

1. It does this not by an overwhelming counter-attack, but by undermining them.

2. It assaults the man.

3. The gospel makes a marvelous appeal by reaching out to human hungers beyond arguments.

4. The gospel simply ignores lines of defenses and works around arguments, so it is impossible to eradicate proper defenses against the gospel.

B. The capture of every thought to obey Jesus Christ.

## **Application questions:**

1. What are the weapons of righteousness, and how are they to be used?

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2. What is non-traditional about God's approach to the destruction of arguments against His knowledge?

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3. How can self-sufficiency be so dangerous? How do you see this in your life, and how can you respond appropriately?

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