# The Fool's Third Visit

2 CORINTHIANS 12:11-21

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• **The Main Point**: The "foolish" Paul, in whom there is no greed or deceit, fears what remaining and unrepentant sin he may encounter at Corinth.

#### The Fool's Speech, Part 4

- Superior on account of being nothing
  - -The signs of "the apostle"
    - Signs, wonders, mighty works—the full experience
       ➤A fool's apology

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### The Third Visit

- Clarifying a free ministry... again
- An alternate explanation—deceit • The model of Titus
- Upbuilding, not defending

   "With God, in Christ, as our witness"
- Two fears
  - $\circ$  Not how we wish to find each other
    - Sins from the second visit?
  - $\circ$  Humiliation and mourning
    - Sins from "earlier"—impurity, sexual immorality and sensuality (cf. 1 Cor. 5:1-13; 6:12-20)

#### Learning from Paul's Pre-Trip Address

 $\circ\, The \ centrality \ of \ holiness \ and \ personal \ purity \ in \ life \ before \ God$ 

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