

# Paul vs. the Super Apostles

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 11:5-15

(series #32)

**Intro:** the importance of discernment - Matt. 7:13-23

## I. Paul Explains his Lack of Inferiority vv. 5-6

- A. He wasn't inferior to the "super apostles"
- B. He wasn't trained in rhetoric but was thoroughly knowledgeable in spiritual truth

## II. Paul's Decision not to Accept Support vv. 7-12

- A. The Corinthians took offense at this v. 7
- B. Paul accepted support from others vv. 8-9
  - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 9:14
  - 2. Luke 10:7
  - 3. 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 5:17
- C. Paul's confidence in his decision vv. 10-12
  - 1. It wasn't because of a lack of love
  - 2. It was to be different than the super apostles

## III. Paul Denounces the Super-Apostles vv. 13-15

- A. They were false apostles v. 13
- B. They were using Satan's scheme v. 14
- C. They were claiming to be God's ministers v. 15

**Conclusion:** Satan's promotion of religion

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 11:15; 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 4:1; Revelation 2:9