

# July 5, 2026

1 Group

Can you think of something you used to think is true, but that isn't true?

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I hope you will put up with me in a little foolishness. Yes, please put up with me!

2 Corinthians 11:1

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I am jealous for you with a **godly jealousy**. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him.  
2 Corinthians 11:2

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But I am **afraid** that just as Eve was **deceived** by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow **be led** astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.  
2 Corinthians 11:3

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Deceived/Led astray: You think something is true that isn't true.

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For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus **other than the Jesus** we preached, or if you receive a **different spirit** from the Spirit you received, or a **different gospel** from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough.  
2 Corinthians 11:4

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I do not think I am in the least inferior to those "super-apostles."  
2 Corinthians 11:5

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I may indeed be **untrained as a speaker**, but I do have knowledge. We have made this perfectly clear to you in every way.  
2 Corinthians 11:6

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Was it a sin for me to **lower myself** in order to elevate you by preaching the gospel of God to you **free of charge**? I robbed other churches by receiving support from them so as to serve you.  
2 Corinthians 11:7-8

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And when I was with you and needed something, I was not a burden to anyone, for the **brothers who came from Macedonia** supplied what I needed. I have kept myself from **being a burden to you** in any way, and will continue to do so.  
2 Corinthians 11:9

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As surely as the truth of Christ is in me, nobody in the regions of Achaia will stop this boasting of mine. Why? Because I do not love you? **God knows I do!**  
2 Corinthians 11:10-11

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And I will keep on **doing what I am doing** in order to cut the ground from under those who want an opportunity to be considered equal with us in the **things they boast about**.  
2 Corinthians 11:12

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The 'super-apostles' were deceiving the Corinthian church by appealing to cultural norms rather than the Christian narrative.

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For such people are **false** apostles, **deceitful** workers, **masquerading** as apostles of Christ.  
2 Corinthians 11:13

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And no wonder, for **Satan** himself masquerades as an angel of light.  
2 Corinthians 11:14

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It is not surprising, then, if his servants also masquerade as servants of righteousness. Their end will be what their actions deserve.  
2 Corinthians 11:15

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Where am I living out cultural norms rather than the Christian narrative

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1. Confirmation vs. Challenge

Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.

2 Corinthians 7:10

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2. Success vs. Sacrifice

For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may also be revealed in our mortal body.

2 Corinthians 4:11

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Instant vs. Process

And we all, who with unveiled faces **contemplate the Lord's glory**, are **being transformed** into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.  
2 Corinthians 3:18

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What do I want to be true about following Jesus that isn't true?

1. Confirmation vs. Challenge
2. Success vs. Sacrifice
3. Instant vs. Process

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