



Outline – Sunday Service, March 08, 2020

Sermon Title: Casting Down Strong HOLDS, “A Necessary Component of the Gospel”

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 10:1-11

1. **Reasons why people might collapse into this distraction** – Rom. 16:17-20
 - a. Pride of knowledge – 1 Cor. 8:1-2
 - b. Ignorance – of essential Truth – 1 Tim. 1:5-7
 - c. Deceit Cloaks of Malice and Covetousness – John 15:22/1 Thess. 2:5/1 Peter 2:16
 - d. Roots of Bitterness and Anger – “insecurity” – Heb. 11:17

2. **Christ offended people He came to Save** – Mark 6:3/Matt. 13:57; 15:12; 26:31
 - a. It offends the Pride of MAN – John 8:24/Gal. 5:11b/1 Cor. 1:18, 23
 - b. It’s Exclusive in its CLAIMS – John 14:7/Acts 4:12/Is. 45:21
 - c. It’s POWER to liberate FROM “TRAPS” – John 8:36/Rom. 6:20-22

3. **Overcoming STRONGHOLDS necessary for freedom** – 2 Cor. 10:4/Is. 61:1-2
 - a. Strongholds DEFINED – v. 4b
 - b. (High things – obstacles – lofty opinions and presumptions)
 - c. Strongholds DETECTED – v. 5/John 15:23
 - d. “By their opposition to Christ”
 - e. Strongholds DESTROYED – 1 Cor. 10:8; 13:10; 8-11