

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for February 19, 2012

Paul's Foolish Boasting
2 Corinthians 11:21-22

What did Paul's foolish boasting focus on?

Paul's foolish boasting initially focused on three elements of his heritage (2 Corinthians 11:21-22).

Paul felt he needed to boast of his heritage, or in other words his background, in order to counter the boasts of his opponents within the Corinthian church.

The first element of Paul's heritage that he highlighted was his ethnic identity (Philippians 3:5).

The second element of Paul's heritage that he highlighted was his religious identity (Romans 9:3-5).

The third element of Paul's heritage that he highlighted was his covenantal identity as a true descendant of Abraham (Galatians 3:29).

May we, by God's grace ministered to us through the filling of the Spirit, be fully committed to using our speech to exalt the Lord rather than ourselves.