

*Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

**Study Aid for the Sermon from September 18, 2011  
The Criteria Upon Which Apostolic Boasting Rests  
2 Corinthians 10:12**

**Observing the text**

Read 2 Corinthians 10:12-18 carefully and make as many observations as possible. How do these verses fit into the flow of the text?

Who were those commending themselves in verse 12?

Why did Paul not want to compare himself with them in verse 12?

What did Paul mean when he said that they compared themselves with themselves?

What did Paul mean when he said that they did this without understanding?

**Applying the sermon**

How common is boasting or self-commendation?

Give examples of when you felt the freedom to indulge in boasting or self-commendation?

Is it ever appropriate to exalt ourselves?

How can you apply this standard of measurement to yourself alone without judging others?