

Crazy for Christ!
2 Corinthians 5:11-15
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Dreams:

Question:

Do you have the right perspective!?

2 Corinthians 5:11-15

^[11] *Since, then, we know what it is to fear the Lord, we try to persuade others. What we are is plain to God, and I hope it is also plain to your conscience.*

^[12] *We are not trying to commend ourselves to you again, but are giving you an opportunity to take pride in us, so that you can answer those who take pride in what is seen rather than in what is in the heart.*

^[13] *If we are “out of our mind,” as some say, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.*

^[14] *For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.*

^[15] *And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.*

Acts 1:8-9

^[8] *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*

^[9] *After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.*

Being Crazy for Christ takes...

1. FEARING Him

2 Corinthians 5:11a

Since, then, we know what it is to fear the Lord...

2. PERSUADING others to know Him

2 Corinthians 5:11b

...we try to persuade others. What we are is plain to God, and I hope it is also plain to your conscience.

3. Being **READY** to give an **ANSWER**

2 Corinthians 5:12

We are not trying to commend ourselves to you again, but are giving you an opportunity to take pride in us, so that you can answer those who take pride in what is seen rather than in what is in the heart.

4. His **LOVE** compelling you to action

2 Corinthians 5:13

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Mark 14:4-5

^[4] *Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, “Why this waste of perfume?”^[5] It could have been sold for more than a year’s wages and the money given to the poor.” And they rebuked her harshly.*

5. **LIVING** to **PLEASE** Him!

2 Corinthians 5:15

And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Challenge:

You **HAVE** received **POWER**
to change the world!