## 15 – 2 Corinthians 10:7-11 – The apostles authority

Bible believing, Christ centred, Gospel hearted

... would cause us to adjust our thinking about Christian belief or Christian living?

# So is Paul worth following?

verse 7, "look at the facts"

... they belong to Christ... as if Paul didn't.

### Fact 1

Paul, called to be an apostle by the will of God.

Acts 9

### Fact 2

- ... the authority given to him by the Lord for the ministry task he is doing - Verse 8

Acts 9:15, "This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel".

see 2 Cor 5:11-21.

Verse 11, ... he will come and visit them and hold the unrepentant to account.

### For us today

- 1) "I belong to God"
- ... anyone can claim "I belong to God follow me and the message I present".

## 2) So who do we listen to?

Verse 8... he was given the authority of the risen Lord Jesus Christ

## Don't listen to the 'gospel of Rick' (or anyone else)

... except in one case.

... when my gospel is the same as the gospel Paul handed down to me through the divinely inspired word of God.

Rightly teach the word of truth - 2 Tim 2:15.

# Where to from here?

Firstly, (verse 8), the authority given to Paul by God is for building up his church.

Secondly, the gospel of Jesus,

Chapter 10:4 = God's divine power ... destroys and demolishes.