

The Study of Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians
Lesson #4: "Servants of Christ: At the End of the Parade"
1 Corinthians 4:1-21



Division 1: Paul corrects the Corinthian's view of what true servants of God are to look like and the criteria by which they are to be judged.

1 Corinthians 4:1-7

2 Peter 3:9

John 16:12-15

1 Timothy 5:20

1 Corinthians 5:13

2 Timothy 3:16

Hebrews 4:12

Principle #1: True servants of God see themselves as possessing no worldly attributes they can take credit for, avoid premature judgments, and use only biblical criteria when they are called to judge.

Division 2: Paul uses sarcasm to correct the Corinthian's understanding of the Kingdom of God and who is in it.

1 Corinthians 4:8-13

Principle #2: People in God's earthly Kingdom have picked up their cross and are following Jesus by denying themselves more and more and living more and more like Jesus did.

Division 3: Paul urges the Corinthians to emulate his walk with Christ.

1 Corinthians 4:14-21

1 Peter 1:23

Additional notes:

Principle #3: *We as Believers are called to live lives that model biblical Christianity to teach biblical morality and not rely only on God's Word to do it.*