

The Solution to Division

1 Corinthians 4:6-21

Outline of 1 Corinthians:

I. Introduction (1:1-9)

II. Problems Reported (1:10-6:20)

a. Divisions (1:10-4:21)

i. The Problem of Division Denounced (1:10-17)

ii. Clarifying the Nature of the Message (1:18-3:4)

iii. Clarifying The Role of God's Servants (3:5-4:5)

iv. Concluding that Humility Solves Division (4:6-21)

A. The problem is pride. (4:6-7)

v6 – No believer is _____ than another believer.

v7 – Every believer is _____ to God.

B. God's servants operate with humility. (4:8-13)

v8 – The Corinthians had an _____ view of themselves.

v9 – Paul shared his _____ view of himself and the other apostles.

v10 – These two self-views are _____.

v11-13 – A good _____ is modeled for when the world despises a servant of God.

C. Please learn this lesson from your father. (4:14-21)

v14 – A harsh rebuke is motivated by _____.

v15-16 – A loving and concerned _____ wants to show his children a better way to live.

**In what way was Paul a “father” to the Corinthian believers?*

**In what way was Paul asking them to “imitate” him?*

v17 – Timothy would be sent as an _____ of one who has learned to serve humbly.

v18-21 – It is much better to take heed to instruction than wait for _____.