

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: February 17, 2019
1 Corinthians 3:16-4:7

1. What did we talk about last week in the first portion of chapter 3?
 - a. The immaturity of the Corinthian church.
 - b. The difference between worldliness and spirituality.
 - c. The difference between being merely human and being empowered by the Spirit of God.
 - d. Building on the foundation of Christ with proper materials.

2. What does Paul tell the Corinthians in verse 16? _____

3. What, according to verse 17, is the significance of that? _____

4. What does Paul say that we should do if we think we are wise by the standards of this age, according to verses 18-20? _____

5. How, according to verses 21-23, does this apply to the quarrels and divisions that the Corinthian church was experiencing? _____

6. How, then, should we regard Paul and other church leaders, according to 4:1? _____

7. What, according to verses 2-5, does Paul say about the accountability that he and other leaders face?
 - a. We have been given a trust and must prove faithful.
 - b. We should not be concerned about how humans judge us.
 - c. We are not even our own judge, even if our conscience is clear.
 - d. The Lord is the judge and, at the appointed time, he will expose anything hidden and every motive of the heart.

8. What does Paul say in verses 6-7 about his application of this concept?
 - a. He applied it first to himself and Apollos as an example.
 - b. The Corinthians should learn this concept and apply it also to themselves and other teachers.
 - c. He is encouraging them to understand that any teacher really has nothing to offer beyond the Word of God.
 - d. If all we have to offer that is of value is the Word of God, then what do we have to be proud of...nothing we have to say (as teachers) is from us anyway, it is just the Word of God that was given to us!

9. Do you think that you have something of value to say beyond the Word of God? _____

- If not, why would somebody follow you instead of another leader? _____
