

Crazy Humility
1 Corinthians 4:1-21
October 17, 2021

I. Humble Leadership (V. 1-5)

- A. Crazy humility means knowing you are not the boss.
 - 1. It's not your stuff.
 - 2. It's not your decision.

II. Humble Lifestyle (V. 6-13)

- A. Crazy humility means living out God's authority in how you live.
 - 1. It's not your life.

III. Humble (V. 16-23)

- A. Crazy humility means giving godly people permission to change you.
 - 1. It's not your standard.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-21.
2. What are some characteristics of a servant? What are some characteristics of a steward? What is the advantage of Christians regarding themselves in that way, as verse 1 commands?
3. Verse 3 says Paul does not even judge himself. What are some ways Christians judge themselves too harshly today? What are some ways they judge themselves insufficiently? What does that say about our need for God as ultimate judge?
4. Verse 6 says Paul did not just know the truth but applied it to his life. What does being a servant of Christ and steward of the mysteries of the kingdom mean for you in how you serve God? How do you plan to live that truth out?
5. Have you ever had another Christian confront you about something in your life like a spiritual father/mother, as Paul claims to in verse 14-15? What was that like?
6. Why is it important that Christians confront one another through discipling relationships rather than rules enforced by rulers?
7. In the first five verses, Paul said Christians don't judge each other, they are judged by God. However, in verses 14-21, Paul tells the Corinthians what to do. He is even so bold as to say he would confront anyone who said something different and "find out their power." How can Christians both not judge each other "before the time," as verse 5 says, and confront one another about sin with authority and force, as verse 21 says?
7. Pray for our church, that we would have a crazy biblical model for leadership and service. Consider coming to tonight's Zoom prayer meeting at 7 pm. Register from the home page on the church website to be emailed a Zoom link.

Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: Jeremiah 22-24

September Memory Verses: Jeremiah 2:12-13

Acts 8:35-38 (ESV)

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. 36 And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" 38 And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.

BEFORE Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

If you have not done so already, register from the www.apollobaptist.org home page by clicking the image for the Prayer Meeting. The registration will last through 12/26/2021.

Register with your name and email address.

Click on the emailed Zoom link at the time of the Prayer Meeting.

Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

- PRAYING for five new believers in our church struggling with the prospect of baptism.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
Andy & Lindsay M. in Spain, Steve & Joy V. in Turkey, David & Comfort J. in Nigeria, Luke P. in Maricopa, Arizona, Nathan & Becky F. in Indonesia, Sylvia M. at ASU West, Arizona, John T. in California, Doug & Cheryl D. in Thailand, and Jules S. in Thailand
- PRAY for all our students: elementary, middle school, high school, and college. No matter whether they are in the classroom, an on-line setting, or a home school setting our students are forming minds that need to focus on Christ.
- Family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones:
Anita O., Alea O., Andi P. (son and brother), Ruth S. (mother), Reginald (sister), Monica M. (mother, JoAnn T.), Jeanette C., Ruthie C., Floyd and Karen C. (daughter, niece, Mary E.)
- Those struggling with on-going health and other issues:
Michelle L. (constant pain issues, waiting on results from an MRI), Debbie P. (broke her leg and is now in rehab, still cannot put full weight on that leg), Twyla D. (had a stroke and now has a weakened right side), Ruthie C. (recovery from surgery), Linda C. (waiting test results), Gaylon K. (broke his hip and is now in rehab), Mary R. (awaiting kidney transplant)
- Others that you are aware of