

1 Corinthians 10 – 3:14-4:1

Building for Rewards

1. 3:14-15 – Rewards and Loss

- a. These men are all saved – 1 Cor 3:15, 15:3, 15:17, Eph 1:7, 2:5, Col 1:14
- b. Your sins are dealt with by the cross – Col 2:11-13, Rom 6:6-7, 23, Gal 2:17-18
- c. Your behavior matters; it always mattered, but it can never save – Rom 6:1, 15-16
- d. How does the work endure? If it is faithful, spiritual work – 1 Cor 2:15, 4:2-4
- e. Faithful to sound doctrine – 1 Tim 1:15, 4:8-9, 2 Tim 2:2, Titus 1:9, 3:5-8
- f. The work of carnal, faithless, corrupt men does not endure – 2 Cor 2:17, 11:13
- g. Rewards depend upon the doctrine you are laying – Col 2:18, Phil 2:14-16
- h. Loss is not purgatory, it is wasted time and effort – Eph 5:15-17

2. 3:16-17 – Ye are the Temple

- a. “Know ye not” – Paul says this 9 times to the Corinthians who should’ve known
- b. Ye are the “temple”; ye are the building – 1 Cor 3:9
- c. We do not go to the church; neither do we ask for the Spirit to come down
- d. God is in us every second of the day: this is responsibility – Eph 1:13-14, 4:30
- e. Regarding the judgment: Consider what is being built in you – 1 Tim 1:3
- f. How do you defile the temple? Building with wrong materials.
- g. “destroy” - This is the terror of the Lord in Eze 5:11-12, 2 Cor 5:10

3. 3:18-20 – The World’s Wisdom is Vain

- a. World’s wisdom looks at the appearance, pedigree, presentation.
- b. A fool = a spiritual man = preaching of the cross, hidden wisdom – 1 Cor 2:14
- c. The world does the opposite and declares themselves wise – Romans 1:21-22
- d. The thoughts of “wise” men are vain – Psa 94:11, Col 2:8
- e. Glory in the Lord, not men: this is maturity - 1 Cor 1:31

4. 3:21-4:1 – All Things are Yours

- a. Christ is made all things for the church, so is Paul – 1 Cor 1:30, 9:22
- b. God gives us freely all things: we are complete in Him – Romans 8:31-39, Col 2:10
- c. All things done by us are done to and for the Lord - Romans 14:7-12
- d. Paul, Apollos, etc. minister all things for their edification – 2 Cor 12:19
- e. Old things pass away, all things become new - 2 Cor 5:17-18, 1 Cor 12:4-6
- f. The order is us > Christ > God – Rom 16:27, Phil 2:10-12
- g. Even Paul is a minister of Christ serving the church – 1 Cor 3:5, 7, 4:1