

Paul the Planter and His Church in Crisis

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Paul the Apostle:

Christian Maturity

1 Corinthians 1:4-9



Compliments

- "I always thank God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus."

The Jesus Lift

- These guys were not much
- Paul spoke about the _____ Spirit of God.
- Now, their lives have been enriched
- Paul says, "_____!"

God Gives Gifts

Spiritual Gifts are given because:

- They cannot be achieved or earned on your own
- God has a _____ in mind for them

The Day of the Lord Jesus

The Old Testament Version:

- "the day God comes in such a way as to change everything."

The New Testament Version:

- "the day Jesus comes back and nothing is ever the same again."

Last Week:

Paul the Apostle

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

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1 Corinthians 1:4-9

Next Week:

The Folly of Preaching

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

All Hat and No _____

The Corinthians had _____ Growth

- They had Spiritual Gifts
- They lacked the _____ to bring it all together in maturity
- Therefore, they lacked the ability to unite for the sake of God's purpose in Corinth

Slow _____ at Play

- These people were heaven-bound.
- There was Change, Just Slow
- There was no standard bearer for Christian Growth

Our Response?

- Seek Wholeness in our Maturity

Lack of _____

- The Church in Corinth and in the US are quite similar

1 Corinthians

Chapter 1

(4)"I always thank God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus.

(5)For in him you have been enriched in every way—in all your speaking and in all your knowledge—

(6)because our testimony about Christ was confirmed in you.

(7)Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.

(8)He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(9)God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful."