# "THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THOSE WHO THINK THEY ARE & THOSE WHO REALLY ARE"

## I CORINTHIANS 4:6-21

1. **THOSE WHO REALLY ARE, RECOGNIZE THAT THE GIFTS OF GOD ARE SOLELY OF GRACE (4:6-7)**
	1. Principle #1: No Individual Christian Is Better Than Another (4:6)
		1. First Purpose: Men Should Not Elevate Other Christians Beyond The Scriptural Positioning Of Men
		2. Second Purpose: Men Should Not Exalt Themselves At The Expense Of Others
	2. Principle #2: Every Christian Is Indebted To God For What He Currently Is (4:7)
		1. Three Questions Designed To Hammer Home The Point
		2. All Eyes On Christ
2. **THOSE WHO REALLY ARE, TASTE OF APOSTOLIC HARDSHIPS (4:8-13)**
	1. Contrast Between Paul And The Corinthian Believers (4:8-10)
		1. The Criticism Takes On A Marked Progression In Three Statements (4:8)
		2. The Criticism Employs Some Of The Sights Of The First Century By Way Of Comparison (4:9-10)
	2. Contrast Between Paul And The World (4:11-13)
		1. A Plethora Of Verbs And Participles Compound The Evidence
		2. The Contrast Is Unmistakable