

Shelemiah Baptist Church

January 23, 2018

“Many Glory after the Flesh” How Do We Impress Others?

The false apostles are charged as deceitful workers.

¹³For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

¹⁴And no marvel, for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. ¹⁵Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness, whose end shall be according to their works. ¹⁶I say again, let no man think me a fool. But if otherwise, yet as a fool receive me that I may boast of myself a little. ¹⁷(That which I now speak, I speak it not from the Lord, but as it were foolishly, in this confidence as boasting. ¹⁸Since many glory in the flesh, I will glory also.) ¹⁹For ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise! 2 Corinthians 11:16-19

2 Corinthians 12:1- 11 (KJ21)

The Favour God...God found favour in spite of Me.

12 It is doubtless not expedient for me to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord:

²I knew a man in Christ more than fourteen years ago (whether in the body I cannot tell, or whether out of the body I cannot tell — God knoweth). Such a one was caught up to the third Heaven.

³And I knew such a man (whether in the body or out of the body I cannot tell — God knoweth),

⁴and how he was caught up into Paradise, and heard unspeakable words which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

⁵Of such a one will I glory, yet of myself I will not glory, except in mine infirmities.

⁶For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool, for I will say the truth. But now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or than he heareth of me.

⁷And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

⁸For this thing, I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

⁹And He said unto me, “My grace is sufficient for thee, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Most gladly therefore will I glory rather in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

¹⁰Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in privations, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then am I strong.

It's Your Fault You Fall for Foolishness

¹¹I have become a fool in glorying. Ye have compelled me, for I ought to have been commended by you. For in nothing am I inferior to the very chiefest apostles, though I am nothing.

Shelemiah Baptist Church

They Didn't Defend their Teacher

¹² Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.

¹³ For in what are ye inferior to other churches, unless it be that I myself was not burdensome to you? Forgive me this wrong!

¹⁴ Behold, for the third time I am ready to come to you, and I will not be burdensome to you, for I seek not yours, but you. For the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.

¹⁵ And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you, though the more abundantly I love you, the less I am loved.

¹⁶ But be it so, I did not burden you. Nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile.

¹⁷ Did I gain from you by any of those whom I sent unto you?

¹⁸ I desired Titus to go, and with him I sent a brother. Did Titus make any gain from you? Walked we not in the same spirit? Walked we not in the same steps?

¹⁹ Again, think you that we excuse ourselves to you? We speak before God in Christ; but we do all things, dearly beloved, for your edifying.

²⁰ For I fear lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found by you as ye would not, lest there be debates, envyings, wrath, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, boastings, tumults;

²¹ and lest, when I come again, my God will humble me among you, and that I shall bewail many who have sinned already, and have not repented of the uncleanness and fornication and lasciviousness which they have committed.

Thank you for attending Bible Study. Remember..."Life is short...Time is precious...Enjoy your day".

Rev. Terry B. Land, Pastor