

**"THE CAUSE AND CURE TO DIVISION"**

1 Corinthians 4:6-21

**Introduction:** Among all of the many problems in the Church at Corinth Paul gives more space to division than to any other. In 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 Paul establishes the fact of divisions within the church and in 1 Corinthians 1:18-4:5 he exposes the general reasons for the divisions - A misunderstanding of the message (1:18-3:4); and a misunderstanding of the ministry (3:5-4:5). In 1 Corinthians 4:6-21 Paul is coming to the conclusion and application of his argument and also coming to the conclusion of the first major section of the epistle where he will pin point the root cause of division within the Church and then provide the cure for such needless division.

**VERSE 6**

**THE ROOT CAUSE OF CHURCH DIVISION = \_\_\_\_\_**

**THE ONLY CURE FOR CHURCH DIVISION = \_\_\_\_\_**

**VERSE 7**

**THE PERSPECTIVE OF \_\_\_\_\_ = THREE QUESTIONS**

1. **WHO**

2. **WHAT**

3. **WHY**

**VERSES 8-13**

**THE PERSPECTIVE OF \_\_\_\_\_ = SHAMEFUL CONTRASTS**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **AND** \_\_\_\_\_ - v. 9

2. **PAUL** \_\_\_\_\_ **HIMSELF WITH THE CORINTHIANS - vvs 8, 10**

3. THE REALITY OF PAUL'S \_\_\_\_\_ - VVS 11-12A

4. PAUL'S \_\_\_\_\_ TO HIS HARDSHIPS - VVS. 12B-13

VERSES 14-21

THE PERSPECTIVE OF \_\_\_\_\_ = GODLY IMITATION

1. PAUL - THE \_\_\_\_\_ FATHER - VVS. 14-16

2. TIMOTHY - THE \_\_\_\_\_ SON - v. 17

3. CHRIST - THE \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER - v. 17

4. CORINTHIANS - THE \_\_\_\_\_ CHRISTIANS - VVS. 18-21

CONCLUSION