

# Sermon Notes

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## **You Must Not Judge the Lord's Servants Before the Lord Comes**

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

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**There may be Q&A at the end as time allows. So note your questions.**

**4:1a People are servants/assistants of Christ, which means Christ gives them their orders.**

**4:1b Christian teachers are stewards of the mysteries of God.**

A steward was given the master's resources and was expected to do with them what the master would want.

Christ has given teachers the truths of Jesus Christ for them to reveal to His people, to help them grow.

The Lord expects that when He comes back His people will have been helped to grow by the teachers teaching His revelation.

**4:2 It is required of a steward that anyone be found faithful - having done what was expected of him.**

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**4:3a To Paul it was a very small thing to be examined by the Corinthians in order to judge him.**

**4:3b Paul did not even examine in order to judge himself.**

Because the real judge is the Lord.

**4:4 Paul was aware of nothing against himself, but did not consider himself acquitted by that; rather, he is examined by the Lord in order to judge him.**

We should be listening constantly to the Lord about ministry, including Him correcting us if we are doing anything wrong.

**4:5 You must not judge before the Lord comes.**

**Each faithful servant will get praise from God.**

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**What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.**

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