Sermon Notes

Admonishment from a Loving Parent to Follow My Ways in Christ

1 Corinthians 4:14-21 by Christian Sanich, 12/1/2019

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

4:14-17 Paul encouraged his spiritual children to accept all his admonishment, and imitate him and his ways in Christ.

Admonish is to show someone how they are going the wrong way.

Admonish without shaming.

Speak truth to them.

Show them how their ways are contrary to God's truth.

Emphasize how serious their errors are.

Utilize the position you have in Christians' lives to call them back to following Christ and His ways.

Show that you actually care about them and their lives.

Spiritual children should learn by following their spiritual parents' good behavior. Be a good model.

Don't give up on trying to get the wayward to come back.

If you are being influenced by the world, go to a Christ-following person, to learn how to get back on the right path.

4:18-21 Some will change their direction. Some are arrogant. The arrogant will need the rod. The repentant need comfort and love.

Talk vs. power

When a child or brother in Christ is repentant, give comfort and love.

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

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