YOUR ACCOUNTABILITY

January 17, 2021 I Corinthians 4:1-5

Accountability isn't popular but it seems that judgment is. This is message #3 in my Teamwork series. Roast preacher? We all need to be careful in judging others.

1. Your calling revisted

- You are called to be <u>a servant of Christ</u> Greek word <u>hyperetas</u> 4:1
- You are called to be <u>a steward or manager</u>. Accountable to whom?
- As a steward God has called you **to be faithful and trustworthy**. Accountable to whom? Pray Psalm 139:23-24, "Search me O God..."
- Paul's approach with the Corinthian church. I Cor. 2:1-7, 3:18-22, 4:8-13

2. <u>Accountability and Judging</u>

- "I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court..." 4:3 Not everyone will like you. Read from the Message too.
- But isn't it painful to be judged & criticized by others?
- And sometimes we need to ask for forgiveness. Matthew 5:23-24
- Paul wrote "I do not even judge myself." Are you struggling with self judgment and shame?
- Why is self-judgment a problem? It easy to rationalize. It's easy to second guess yourself. It's easy to be proud.
- Why is the Lord's judgment the best?