## Leaders, Followers and Troublemakers

1 Corinthians, Vol. 6

HBC 11/6/19 1 Corinthians 4:6-21

## **Arrogance vs. Humility** (6-13) I.

1 Corinthians 4:6-7: Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively applied to myself and Apollos for your sakes, so that in us you may learn not to exceed what is written, so that no one of you will become arrogant in behalf of one against the other. For who regards you as superior? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?

**Arrogant** is a word that means **puffed up**. Humility is not a matter of denying your ability. It's recognizing the source of your ability. The next verse is sarcastic.

1 Corinthians 4:8-13: You are already filled, you have already become rich, you have become kings without us; and indeed, I wish that you had become kings so that we also might reign with you. For, I think, God has exhibited us apostles last of all. as men condemned to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are prudent in Christ; we are weak, but you are strong; you are distinguished, but we are without honor. To this present hour we are both hungry and thirsty, and are poorly clothed, and are roughly treated, and are homeless; and we toil, working with our own hands; when we are reviled, we bless; when we are persecuted, we endure; when we are slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become as the scum of the world, the dregs of all things, even until now.

## **Arrogant Person**

## **Humble Person**

Exceeding what is written in Scripture	Knows he hasn't arrived
Views self as superior	On display as humble
Boasting, as if it praise is deserved	Foolish by world's standards
Thinks he has arrived	Weak by world's standards
Superior attitude, as if leading in the Kingdom of God	Without honor by world's standards
Prudent by world's standards	Persecuted for righteousness
Strong by world's standards	Blesses those who attack
Distinguished by world's standards	Endures persecution

Despises and defames humble servants of Conciliatory

God

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7 Characteristics of Good Spiritual Leaders							
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7 Characteristics of Spiritual Troublemakers							
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1 Corinthians 4:17: For this reason I have sent to you Timothy, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, and he will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, just as I teach everywhere in every church.							
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