## 1 Corinthians 4:14-21 Get Your Act Together

- Verse of the week: 1 Cor. 4:20 "For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power."
- Issue No. 1—Divisions and quarrels among believers
  - Worldly thinking (wisdom)and prideful boasting in men
  - Ignoring the centrality of the message of the cross
  - Failing to recognize wisdom comes from the Spirit of God
  - Spiritual infants walking in the flesh
  - Failing to recognize what they had really received from Christ's Servants
- No shame, just ADMONISHMENT, as one does for his children v. 14-15.
  2 Timothy 3:16
  - Just as you would get from your own father
    - Tutors you will have many
    - Fathers, not so many, I am your spiritual father in Christ through the gospel
- Therefore, I EXHORT you to v.16-17
  - Imitate me
- That's why I have sent you Timothy with this message
  - He will remind you of my teaching and my ways
    - o In Christ Jesus
  - And these things I teach everywhere to every church
- Some have become arrogant lacking in humility
  - They don't think I coming back
- I'm coming back...LORD willing
  - How do you want me when I arrive?
    - Carrying a rod of discipline
    - Or with a gentleness of spirit?
- Wait till your father gets home!