

1 Corinthians 4:6-13

The Poison of Factionalism

1. Give glory to God alone. (6)
 - a. "These things"
 - b. "not to think beyond what is written"
 - c. "puffed up, one against another"
 - d.
2. We have no reason to compare ourselves for our own glory. (7)
 - a. What do you have?
 - b. We received all these things.
 - c. Why don't our advantages humble us?

3. Reigning in glory is preceded by challenges (8)
 - a. There are great passages that assure us of our position in Christ
 - b. Other passages make clear that we haven't reached the fullness of this "not yet"
 - c. There are blessings promised to us (healing, holiness, authority), but many of those aspects come when the Lord returns.
4. Relinquish your aspiration for worldly glory.
 - a. Strong medicine to cure the poison.
 - b. Paul has shown the shape of Christian ministry.

Conclusion: