

*“Working for the King”*  
Real Ministry in a Dot.Com World • part 6  
2 Corinthians 3:1-18

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INTRODUCTION

- Work. Does it bring a sense of joy, delight, and satisfaction to your mind?
- ministry = taking the Word of God by the Spirit of God to accomplish the work of God through me in others.

*1. God hires me. (3:1-3)*

- authorized by a letter  
v.
- authorized by the Spirit

*2. God trains me. (3:4-6)*

- adequate =

“Most people who have really counted in my life were never famous. Nobody ever heard of them except those who knew them and loved them. I especially recall an old minister I once knew whose hair was white and whose face stone. I have written my name on thousands of baseballs in my life. The old minister wrote his name on just a few simple hearts. But how I envy him. He was not trying to please himself. Fame never came his way. I am listed as a famous home run hitter, yet beside the obscure minister who was so good and wise, I have never gotten to first base.”

– Babe Ruth

*3. God gives me the best tools. (3:7-11)*

- glory of the Law  
Ex. 34:29-35

- greater glory of the Gospel

*4. God guarantees eternal results. (3:12-18)*

- hide and conceal  
v.
- speak openly and boldly  
Rom. 8:15