

“THE PERFECT CHURCH”

1ST CORINTHIANS SERIES [#2]

1 CORINTHIANS 1:4–9

INTRO — ◊ RAGS TO RICHES STORY (SWINDOLL)
— PROB, BUT FIRST SEES THEM IN X. (CURR ISSUES REAL...)

A. THE CHURCH IS BUILT BY GOD’S GRACE

1. GIVEN GRACE IN CHRIST
2. THE CONFIRMATION OF THE GOSPEL
3. DANGER ADDRESSED? (BOASTING, 1:10, 29+)

B. THE CHURCH IS ENRICHED IN CHRIST

1. NOT LACKING IN ANY GIFT... WEALTHY (+/-); TYPES GIFTS
2. SPEAKS OF WHOLE CH, NOT INDIV.
3. DANGER ADDRESSED? — DIVISIONS / DISTRACTIONS

C. THE CHURCH IS SUSTAINED BY CHRIST

1. FUTURE FOCUS > WAIT FOR DAY OF JUDGMENT
2. LORD WILL SUSTAIN BELIEVERS; GUAR. OF GOOD ENDING
3. A DANGER? — OBSESSED W/ PRESENT, NEGLECT

APPLICATIONS...

- ◆ SEE OTHER BELIEVERS FIRST AND FOREMOST AS “IN CHRIST”
- ◆ SEE YOUR OWN STRENGTHS AS GIFTS OF GOD’S GRACE
- ◆ SEE GOD’S FAITHFULNESS AT WORK IN YOU — TO THE END