

The Abuse of Authority - 1 Corinthians 4

1 Samuel 8:5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.

Summarized of the religious leaders turning on Jesus to have Him crucified. Referred to Jesus not abusing His authority.

Luke 4 Jesus combatted the devil's miss-use of Scriptures to trick Jesus, but He replied with "It is written..."

Summarized of Moses' training in Egypt & in the dessert.

Numbers 12:3 (Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)

1 Corinthians 4:1-21 (AV) & (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 4:1 (AV) Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.

1 Corinthians 4:1 (NKJV) Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God.

1 Corinthians 3:4 For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?

John 13:14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

Colossians 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

1 Corinthians 4:2 (AV) Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

1 Corinthians 4:2 (NKJV) Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

Luke 18:8 I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of Man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?

Matthew 24:12 because iniquity shall abound the love of many shall wax cold.

1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

Romans 4:3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.

Matthew 7 Referred to how the house is built - on sand or the Rock.

1 Corinthians 4:3 (AV) But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.

1 Corinthians 4:3 (NKJV) But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself.

Luke 6:37 Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall

not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

1 Corinthians 4:4 (AV) For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but He that judgeth me is the Lord.

1 Corinthians 4:4 (NKJV) For I know nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He Who judges me is the Lord.

Acts 14:19 And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead. 20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

2 Corinthians 5:14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

Acts 16 Summarized of Paul in Athens & those saved.

1 Corinthians 4:5 (AV) Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, Who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

1 Corinthians 4:5 (NKJV) Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, Who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God.

John 10:10 The thief comes not, but for to steal, & to kill, & to destroy: I am come that they might have life, & that they might have it more abundantly.

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents & scorpions, & over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Referred to all apostles martyred except John to write many books of the New Church Era.

1 Corinthians 4:6 (AV) And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and to Apollos for your sakes; that ye might learn in us not to think *of men* above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.

Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

1 Corinthians 4:6 (NKJV) Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.

1 Corinthians 4:7 (AV) For who maketh thee to differ *from another*? and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive *it*, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received *it*?

1 Corinthians 4:7 (NKJV) For who makes you differ *from another*? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive *it*, why do you boast as if you had not received *it*?

1 Corinthians 12:20 But now are they many members, yet but one body.

Numbers 14:2 And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness!

Numbers 14:23,24 Surely they shall not see the land which I swore unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked Me see it: 24 But My servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.

1 Corinthians 4:8 (AV) Now ye are full, now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you.

1 Corinthians 4:8 (NKJV) You are already full! You are already rich! You have reigned as kings without us — and indeed I could wish you did reign, that we also might reign with you!

Luke 4:3,4 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. 4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word of God.

Matthew 23:11 But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

1 Corinthians 4:9 (AV) For I think that God hath set forth us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.

1 Corinthians 4:9 (NKJV) For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men.

2 Corinthians 12:7-9 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. 8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. 9 And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Matthew 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

Hebrews 13:5 Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor

forsake thee.

1 Corinthians 4:10 (AV) We *are* fools for Christ's sake, but ye *are* wise in Christ; we *are* weak, but ye *are* strong; ye *are* honourable, but we *are* despised.

1 Corinthians 4:10 (NKJV) We *are* fools for Christ's sake, but you *are* wise in Christ! We *are* weak, but you *are* strong! You *are* distinguished, but we *are* dishonored!

1 Corinthians 1:23 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

1 Corinthians 4:11 (AV) Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and have no certain dwellingplace;

1 Corinthians 4:11 (NKJV) To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless.

Acts 20:34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.

1 Corinthians 4:12 (AV) And labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it:

1 Corinthians 4:12 (NKJV) And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure;

2 Thessalonians 3:10 For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

Luke 6:28 Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.

John 15:20 Remember the Word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted Me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept My saying, they will keep yours also.

1 Corinthians 4:13 (AV) Being defamed, we intreat: we are made as the filth of the world, *and are* the offscouring of all things unto this day.

1 Corinthians 4:13 (NKJV) being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now.

2 Kings 1:10 And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I be a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

Luke 23:34 Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots.

1 Corinthians 4:14 (AV) I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn *you*.

1 Corinthians 4:14 (NKJV) I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn *you*.

Acts 14:23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they

believed.

Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

Acts 9 Referred to Paul's conversion.

1 Corinthians 4:15 (AV) For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet *have ye* not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

1 Corinthians 4:15 (NKJV) For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet *you do* not *have* many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

1 Corinthians 4:16 (AV) Wherefore I beseech you, be ye followers of me.

1 Corinthians 4:16 (NKJV) Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

1 Corinthians 4:17 (AV) For this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach every where in every church.

1 Corinthians 4:17 (NKJV) For this reason I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.

1 Corinthians 4:18 (AV) Now some are puffed up, as though I would not come to you.

1 Corinthians 4:18 (NKJV) Now some are puffed up, as though I were not coming to you.

1 Corinthians 4:19 (AV) But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will, and will know, not the speech of them which are puffed up, but the power.

1 Corinthians 4:19 (NKJV) But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord wills, and I will know, not the word of those who are puffed up, but the power.

1 Corinthians 4:20 (AV) For the kingdom of God *is* not in word, but in power.

1 Corinthians 4:20 (NKJV) For the kingdom of God *is* not in word but in power.

Acts 8:18,19 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, 19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.

Acts 16:30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?

1 Corinthians 4:21 (AV) What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and *in* the spirit of meekness?

1 Corinthians 4:21 (NKJV) What do you want? Shall I come to you with a rod, or in love and a spirit of gentleness?

Deuteronomy 17:14-20 When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that *are* about me; 15

Thou shalt in any wise set *him* king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: *one* from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which *is* not thy brother. 16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way. 17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold. 18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of *that which is* before the priests the Levites: 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them: 20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left: to the end that he may prolong *his* days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

1 Timothy 3:1-13 This *is* a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. 2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; 3 Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; 4 One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; 5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) 6 Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. 7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. 8 Likewise *must* the deacons *be* grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; 9 Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. 10 And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being *found* blameless. 11 Even so *must* *their* wives *be* grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. 12 Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. 13 For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Mark 16:17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;