Marks of the Ministry Wed 2/24/21

2 Corinthians 6 New King James Version (NKJV)

**6**We then, *as* workers together *with Him* also plead with *you* not to receive the grace of God in vain.

**2**For He says: “In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

**3**We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed.

**4**But in all *things* we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses,

**5**in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings;

**6**by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love,

**7**by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,

**8**by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and *yet* true;

**9**as unknown, and *yet* well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and *yet* not killed;

**10**as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and *yet* possessing all things.

**11**O Corinthians! We have spoken openly to you, our heart is wide open.

**12**You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted by your *own* affections.

**13**Now in return for the same (I speak as to children), you also be open.

**14**Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?

**15**And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever?

**16**And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said:“I will dwell in them And walk among *them.* I will be their God, And they shall be My people.”

**17**Therefore “Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you.”
**18**“I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the Lord Almighty.”

# Isaiah 49:8 (NKJV)

**8**Thus says the Lord: “In an acceptable time I have heard You, And in the day of salvation I have helped You; I will preserve You and give You As a covenant to the people, To restore the earth, To cause them to inherit the desolate heritages;

# 1 Corinthians 8:9 (NKJV)

**9**But beware lest somehow this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak.

# 1 Corinthians 8:13 (NKJV)

**13**Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

# 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (NKJV)

**2**And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God.

**2**For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

**3**I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling.

**4**And my speech and my preaching *were* not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,

**5**that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

# 1 Corinthians 1:4-9 (NKJV)

**4**I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus,

**5**that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge,

**6**even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you,

**7**so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ,

**8**who will also confirm you to the end, *that you may be* blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**9**God *is* faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

# John 16:22 (NKJV)

**22**Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.