

Sunday Sermon | Calvary Chapel Waterford
1 Corinthians 4 Sermon Outline Pastor Tom Zimbelman

Theme: Everlasting Life is a Transformed Life

1. Servants and Stewards: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

- *Christ's servants answer to Christ alone*
- *Faithfulness matters more than approval*
- *God alone judges the heart*

2. Grace Eliminates Boasting: 1 Corinthians 4:6-7

- *Life is received, not earned*
- *Pride exposes a misunderstanding of grace*
- *Gratitude transforms*

3. True Riches vs False Satisfaction: 1 Corinthians 4:8

- *Worldly appetite dulls hunger for Christ*
- *The real riches*

4. Strength Through Suffering: 1 Corinthians 4:9-13

- *Faithful living often invites rejection*
- *The world loves what opposes Christ*
- *God uses suffering as a witness*

5. A Father's Warning: 1 Corinthians 4:14-17

- *Correction flows from love, not shame*
- *Spiritual maturity requires imitation of Christ*
- *Growth is the goal*

6. Power, Not Performance: 1 Corinthians 4:18-21

- *Grace and life are revealed through transformed lives*
- *The Power who lives within*
- *Be truly reconciled to God*

Scripture Cross References (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 4

Matthew 24:45: *“Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season?”*

Proverbs 28:26: *He who trusts in his own heart is a fool...*

Jeremiah 9:23–24: *Thus says the Lord: “Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, ... But let him who glories glory in this, That he understands and knows Me, That I am the Lord...”*

John 5:24: *“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.”*

John 10:28: *“I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; Neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.”*

2 Corinthians 5:17: *“if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away;”*

Hebrews 1:14: *Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?*

Ephesians 3:10: *to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places*

1 Peter 1:12: *... angels desire to look into.*

Galatians 4:19: *My little children, for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you*

Acts 26:28–29: *Then Agrippa said to Paul, “You almost persuade me to become a Christian.” And Paul said, “I would to God that not only you, but also all who hear me today, might become both almost and altogether such as I am, except for these chains.”*

2 Corinthians 10:4–5: *For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself...*