

CALLED TO BE SAINTS **TOGETHER**

Life on Display

1 Corinthians 4:9-13 (ESV)

⁹For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels, and to men. ¹⁰We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. ¹¹To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are poorly dressed and buffeted and homeless, ¹²and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; ¹³when slandered, we entreat. We have become, and are still, like the scum of the world, the refuse of all things.

The **divine spectacle of the Apostles**

They were used by God to demonstrate a _____ of living that others could follow.

They lived with _____ and _____ of purpose. They knew life was too short and too precious to waste.

They chose a different _____ than that of this world. They knew choice that would make them seem _____ to most people.

They chose to be _____ by God rather than men.

They willingly gave up but what others consider _____. They had learned to be _____ with what God gave.

They were _____. No one could accuse them of laziness.

They decided to _____ in order to be _____ to God and _____ to His mission.

What we can learn from **the pattern of the Apostles**:

1 Corinthians 11:1 (ESV)

¹Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

We, too are on _____ for the world to see Christ in us and through us. How we live matters.

We, too should live a life _____.

We, too have to decide to use our lives in ways that _____.

We, too have to decide to _____ to this world.

We, too have to choose whose _____ and _____ we want. God and this world don't value nor praise the same things.

We, too have to determine whether or not _____.

My response today: