Sunday, November 27, 2016

ADVENT ASSESSMENT

I Corinthians 4:1-5 (ESV)

I. We should _________ ourselves as ___________ and ___________
   a. Stewards must be ________________________

II. The _______ alone evaluates stewards
   a. Not ____________________________________________________________________________
   b. Not ____________________________________________________________________________

III. His assessment will reveal _________________
   a. ________________ things
   b. Purposes of the _________________

IV. The Lord alone can ____________________ His servants
Scripture References:
(New American Standard Bible (NASB) is used unless otherwise indicated.)

I Corinthians 4:1-5 (ESV) This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me. Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive his commendation from God.

Questions for Reflection:
1. What kind of image have you been branding to others? Has it been that of a servant and steward?
2. How have you evaluated yourself recently? Is it by the standards of others, yourself, or have you sought God’s assessment?
3. If Christ were to return this Advent season, what would be brought to light? What commendation might He give?