

will summarize these and in your own reading you will see things that I have either missed, omitted, or not described with adequate accuracy and your discovery of these things will be infinitely more rewarding than if you just read about them in a book or heard them listed in a sermon.

## II. Discussion: Teaching about God and His people

### A. The data:

2---“saints” we are those who have received grace, mercy  
7---He has completely equipped us to live for Him  
8---there is no loss to us in His service  
10--He has not intended any divisions among us  
11/12--the character of division is carnal  
20/21--He has gone beyond the wisdom of this world to  
administer a program of salvation  
30---He has established a principle of spiritual validity for us  
that we might live for Him

### B. Characterizing this material we may say:

His people are special in His eyes---  
They are completely furnished for living---  
They are to be one in character, unified in Him---  
They are to receive their joy from Him and glory in Him.

We will remember that the Psalmist (Psalm 144:15) tells us:  
“Happy is that people whose God is the Lord.”

III. Conclusion: What we learn of God and His people should encourage us in growth and witness and from this chapter we should be sent to many other places where we will find these truths confirmed and other aspects developed more fully. It is the strength of life that comes from a committed study of the Bible.

## **MESSAGE # 4: 1 CORINTHIANS 1: TEACHING ABOUT GOD AND HIS PROGRAM**

Biblical Passage: 1 Corinthians 1

### I. Introducing the Subject: