## A Prescription for Damaged Eyes - Seeing Self Invisibly

2 Corinthians 3:21-4:9

**Rx #1 – See God Accurately** – seeing God's character/holiness will automatically impact your view of yourself.

Rx #2 - See Yourself Invisibly! There is freedom in forgetting about yourself.

The Corinthian Church – Acts 18-19; 1 Corinthians 1, 3

The reality: People problems were obvious.

**The Big Question:** Why can't people 'get-along?'

Pride and jealousy

## The Solution:

- 1. Stop your self-esteem fixation and boasting! 3:21-23; 4:7
- 2. Don't get 'puffed-up.' 4:6
  - It produces emptiness.
  - It is painful.
  - It is busy.
  - It is fragile likely to become deflated.

**Paul's Example** – How should we regard ourselves? (4:2-4, 9)

- I do not care what you think of me.
- I do not care what others think of me.
- I do not care what I think of me.
- I do have a clear conscience but not because I'm not guilty.

## **Bottom Line:**

God's gospel verdict is that I have worth, but it isn't based upon my performance. As God's child, I don't need to fixate on my successes or get defeated by my failures.