

Godly Ministers Lovingly Point People to Christ
2 Corinthians 3:1-6

Godly ministers know that _____ speak louder than man's praise.

Paul began by asking two _____ questions that demand a _____ answer.

2 Corinthians 3:1

The best recommendation is the _____ life displayed by _____ of the local church who have been _____ through the ministry of Paul.

2 Corinthians 3:2

Godly ministers allow the Spirit of God to _____ the _____ of members onto their hearts in love.

2 Corinthians 3:2

Godly living proves that the Spirit has _____ hard hearts through the ministry of _____.

2 Corinthians 3:3

Everyone is _____ until the Spirit transforms the heart.

Jeremiah 17:1

The New Covenant was prophesied in the Old Testament as the working of the _____ in transforming _____.

Ezekiel 11:19-20; 36:26-27

Without the Spirit transforming your heart through the ministry of the Gospel, your heart is _____ toward God and _____ to obey Him.

2 Corinthians 13:5

Godly ministers are _____ in the power of God to _____ people through the Gospel.

Godly ministers place their _____ in the Gospel no _____.

2 Corinthians 3:4

Godly ministers wrestle with their own _____ to be effective, driving them to trust in the _____ of God in them.

2 Corinthians 3:5

Old Testament _____ wrestled with their own _____ to do what God requires.

Moses: Exodus 3:11; 4:10-12

Isaiah: Isaiah 6:5-7

Jeremiah: Jeremiah 1:4-8

Godly ministers are _____ (by God) for ministering the Gospel of Christ (the New Covenant) which alone gives life.

2 Corinthians 3:5-6

Paul recognized that He was _____ as a minister of the New Covenant.

1 Corinthians 11:25; Jeremiah 31:31-34

Paul ministered under the _____ of _____ in the church.

2 Corinthians 10:8; 13:10

In the New Covenant, the Law written on _____ and _____ hearts can be obeyed as the Spirit drives one from the letter of the law (dead orthodoxy) to obeying from a new life given by the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:6; Ezekiel 11:19-20

Ezekiel 36:26-27

The comfort and encouragement in this passage is found in two ways.

1. Godly ministers aren't difficult to _____; they're the ones who speak the _____ into sin ravaged lives because of their love for God and for those whom God has given them to oversee.
2. Biblical churches don't emphasize _____ growth; they emphasize _____ growth through regeneration and repentance of sin.