## *Salutation*

***Chapter 1:1-9***

1. Paul begins by identifying himself as an apostle, and therefore as one with authority to teach.
   a. Can you find other instances where Paul insists on his authority and apostleship?

   b. Why would Paul begin this way?

   c. Are there any situations today when it is necessary for officebearers/parents/teachers to do this?

2. Paul identifies some beautiful graces God gave to the Corinthian church. How do those apply today?

3. What is the significance of the familiar salutation in 1:3?

4. For what specific things does Paul thank God on the Corinthians' behalf? Could these be said of us?

5. How would Paul's greeting be great comfort to the Corinthians, especially considering their weaknesses?