

**AND YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT PROBLEMS**  
**A Study of First Corinthians**

**TEAM GOD**

1 Corinthians 1:26-31      Jeff Schreve

*For consider your calling, brethren ... 1 Corinthians 1:26*

**What do we learn when we consider our calling to Team God?**

**1. There are not many extraordinary people on God's team.**

*For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble.*

*1 Corinthians 1:26*

**A. These folks have a tendency to be proud.**

*Knowledge makes arrogant, but love edifies.*

*1 Corinthians 8:1*

**B. God does not work with the proud.**

*And all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble. 1 Peter 5:5*

*Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord; assuredly, he will not be unpunished. Proverbs 16:5*

**2. There are lots of ordinary people on God's team.**

*... but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong, and the base things of the world and the despised, God has chosen, the things that are not, that He might nullify the things that are ...*

*1 Corinthians 1:27-28*

**A. These folks tend to be more open to God.**

**B. These folks tend to see their need more readily.**

*Truly I say to you, it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 19:23*

### 3. There is only one star on God's team.

*He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; so that He Himself might come to have first place in everything.*

*For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him.*

*Colossians 1:18-19*

#### A. The Lord chooses the team.

*You did not choose Me, but I chose you ... John 15:16*

#### B. The Lord works through the team.

*But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption, that, just as it is written, "Let him who boasts, boast in the Lord."*

*1 Corinthians 1:29-31*

*And he said to Him, "O Lord, how shall I deliver Israel? Behold, my family is the least in Manasseh, and I am the youngest in my father's house." But the LORD said to him, "Surely I will be with you, and you shall defeat Midian as one man." Judges 6:15-16*

1. There is no pressure.

2. There is no boasting.

**When you consider Team God, where do you stand?**