

Message Notes

Dirty Jobs: somebody's gotta do 'em (part 1)

Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

Introduction – “a little business...”

Dirty Jobs: Somebody's got to do them!
A two week look at 1 Corinthians 1:12-2:4

1. What's going on here?

Paul responding to “super-apostles” charges
1 Corinthians 11:1-6

Fact #1 – “I have been truthful to you in all things”
1 Corinthians 1:12-14

Fact #2 – “I did plan to visit you, no doubt”
1 Corinthians 1:15-17

Fact #3 – “God never lies! The gospel is true”
1 Corinthians 1:18-22

Fact #4 – “I didn't come for YOUR benefit!”
1 Corinthians 1:23-24

2. How did they get into this mess?

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13, 16-22 as an example of a healthy church

3. How do we respond to messy situations in the church?

1 Thessalonians 5:14-15 as an example of engaging in the mess

Gospel Application – “You got a mess to get involved in?”

2 Corinthians 11:1-6

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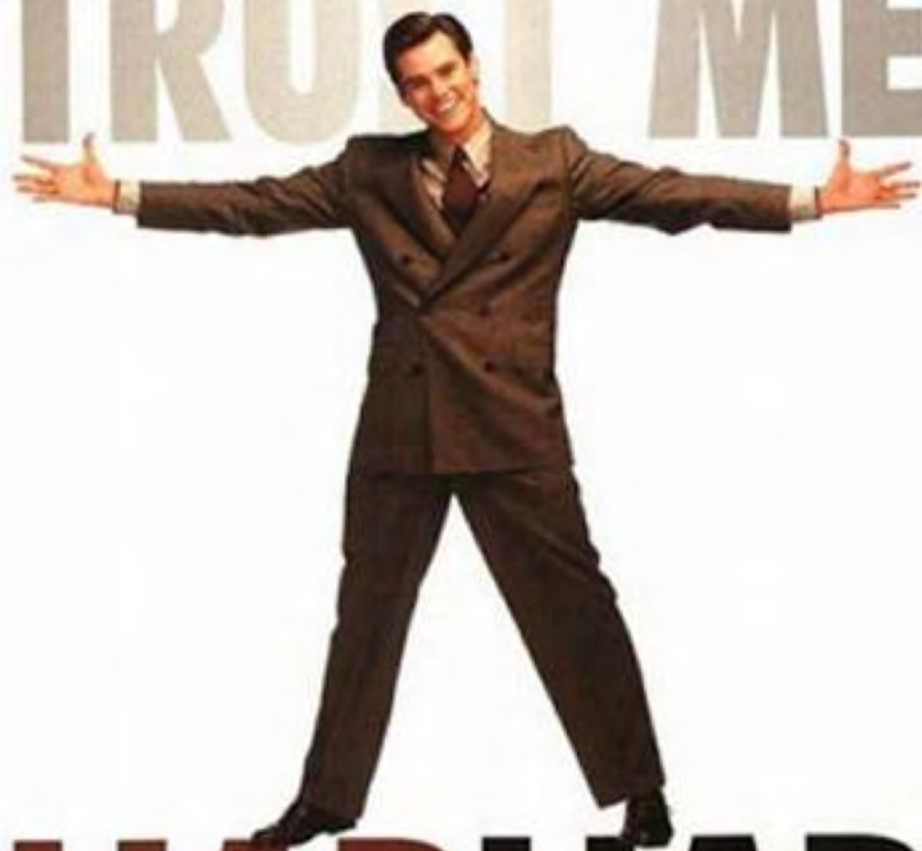
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~ John Adams

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Rules in the church?

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YES

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But not SHOULD, but
GET TO follow them!





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Is there someone you are being called to
“warn not to be idle”?