

Chat with the Children: Names, Names

- *Learning names game for kids talk - how many people's names can you remember...*
 - expression of how we value people; even if some people are better at names than others...
 - *prayer thanking for one another...*
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Introduction

- Evening service series in 1 Corinthians - finished off last week and this in mornings - so rounding off of all Paul has said to the Corinthians

Provision (v.1-4)

- Financial - out of concern for well-being of others - planned, proportionate
 - (we give away a tenth of our church income to people and projects beyond Fintry - including Gerard and Sarah, Amanda, Friends International, and other things as come up from time to time)

Presence (v.5-9)

- Wants to spend time with **them** - not just pass on teaching, contend for truth, win victories for Christ - **present with people**

Commend (v.10-12)

- Commends others of God's workers - Paul interested in God's work, not just his own status in the church in Corinth
 - even where there seems to be some disagreement over timing or method, he commends Apollos....

Concern (v.13-14)

- Concerned for their well-being - there is a protectiveness, but one that seeks their growth, their ability to stand on their own feet...

Partners (v.15-20)

- Sense of partnership between churches, between Christians, each contributing, each contribution valued and respected...

Personal (v.21-24)

- Wraps all the rest up in a very personal greeting - its not Paul's PA (amanuensis) writing, but Paul himself...
 - **my** love to all of you in Christ Jesus....

Summary

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 - Partners (v.15-20)
 - Personal (v.21-24)
- Let us grow in this deeply personal, heartfelt care and concern for one another...