"THEY GOT SERVED!"

(2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-2)

Intro: In 2004 the popular dance battle movie *"You Got Served!"* hit theatres. The title and phrase itself by simple definition means "*You battled, and you lost!*" This was the dance battle mindset. Anyone who stepped up would get SERVED! This must be our mindset in ministry, Anyone, in any condition, who comes into NHBC will *Get Served!* with *Holy, Holistic Ministry [To Minister To The Mind, Body And Soul].*

- Ministry Defined *[GK=DIAKONA]-A role or position done especially in service to others. A ministry in church; To do personal service. Where service of others is service of Christ (Matthew 25:42).*

3 Types Of Service In The Local Church

- Front-Facing (Formal) Service-Out in front of the fellowship.
- Behind The Scenes Service-The technical and tactical (strategic) duties that keep the fellowship looking good and running smoothly.
- Informal Service-Daily unplanned interpersonal interactions

Paul's motivation to serve is because of the Lord's mercy he received. This should be our motivation as well.

THEY GOT SERVED!=We *BREATHE & GROW as a Ministry when the Testimony from anyone who has an encounter with NHBC, inside or outside of the church was Blessed By The Experience.*

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN PEOPLE EXPERIENCED NHBC?...

1. *THEY GOT SERVED!* _____ (vs. 1 *"...seeing we have this ministry...we have received mercy...we faint not [NOT DISCOURAGED OR LOSE HEART]."*)–We Serve with the Divine Determination to see it through despite difficulty (2 Timothy 1:12)

2. *THEY GOT SERVED!* WITH_____ _____ (vs. 2 *"...have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty [REJECTED SHAMEFUL BEHAVIOR]..."*)–We Serve Truth in Love with the purpose of *edifying* even when it's uncomfortable, instead of *appeasing [TO MAKE CONCESSIONS OR PACIFY AT THE COST OF PRINCIPALS]* to make sin comfortable (Colossians 1:28).

3. *THEY GOT SERVED!* _____IN THE_____ (vs. 2 *"...not walking in craftiness [ESPECIALLY WICKED CHARACTER] nor handling the Word of God deceitfully [TAMPER WITH BY MUTILATING OR ADDING TO WITH INTENT TO TRAP]...by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God."*)–We Serve with *biblical integrity* (2Timothy 2:15)and *personal transparency* (1 Timothy 1:13–16).