

“Carnality: Envy, Strife & Division” (1 Corinthians 3:1-9)

- I. THE CALLING AND BENEFITS OF BEING A SAINT” (1:1-9)
- II. A CALL FOR UNITY (1:10-31)
- III. UNDERSTANDING GOD’S WISDOM THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:1-16)
- IV. RESPONDING TO GOD’S WISDOM (2:14 – 4:21)

A. The Reception/Understanding of God’s Wisdom (2:14-16)

1. The **Natural Man**: (psuchikos) = dominated by the _____ (2:14)
 - a. His **Identification**: The natural man is _____ and _____ the Spirit.
(Jude 19; Romans 8:9)
 - b. His **Spiritual Assets**: He has _____.
 - c. His **Spiritual Abilities**: He doesn’t _____ the things of God, for they are _____ to him and he can’t _____ them.
 - d. His **Spiritual Need**: He is blinded to one message in particular – the _____. (1 Corinthians 1:18, 23; 2 Corinthians 4:3,4)
2. The **Spiritual Man**: (pneumatikos) = dominated by the _____.
 - a. His **Identification**: The spiritual man is _____ and is therefore _____ by the Spirit. (Ephesians 1:13,14)
 - b. His **Spiritual Assets**: The spiritual man is not only indwelt by but also _____ with the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18)
 - c. His **Spiritual Abilities**: He has the unhindered _____ the things of God. (John 14:26; 16:13)
 - d. His **Spiritual Need**: To continuously _____ by faith. (2 Corinthians 5:7; Colossians 2:6)
3. The **Carnal Man** (sarkikos) = dominated by the _____.

- a. His **Identification**: The carnal man is _____ and is therefore _____ by the Spirit.
- b. His **Spiritual Assets**: The carnal man is _____ by the Holy Spirit
- c. Carnality hinders one's spiritual _____ but never their _____ in Christ. (3:1)
- d. Carnality affects one's _____ and _____ to take in and digest the Word of God. (3:2)
- e. Carnality may be due to _____ or _____. (3:1-3)
- f. Carnality is not automatically corrected with _____ (3:3)
- g. Carnality is evidenced by the _____ in your life. (3:3)
- h. Carnality is oftentimes characterized by _____. (3:3-4)
- i. Carnality in the believer's life causes them to walk like an _____ (3:4)
- j. Specifically, Carnality manifests in _____ in the church (3:3-4)

* What Truth does Paul communicate to address this? (3:5-9)

1. Paul and Apollos were mere _____
2. Paul and Apollos were _____ or channels by or through whom the Corinthians had believed in Christ
3. Paul and Apollos had _____ and _____ the Word of God in Corinth
4. God gave the _____
5. Paul and Apollos were _____ with one another and with God
6. Each believer receives a reward based on his own _____
7. The church belongs to _____, it is His _____

*How does this apply to you?