

The Carnal Man - 1 Cor 3:1-9. Intro - a great contrast by church - have spent but not spiritual, not knowledge but no benefit - all but no growth - carnal - all problems traced to this = Cor. a problem-infested church = division, abuse, misuse, gifts - immorality, no discipline

① - two 1st words for carnal = created, flesh & characterized by flesh. all men are flesh

② - spiritual = some likeness: characterized by spirit - spirit's ministry, to gradually bring us to place where we are characterized by spirit, rather than flesh

③ - neither yet are ye able = ye still = no growth, no change - still characterized by flesh.

④ 2 ways: never grown or reverted back - Heb 5:14
 or may not have all these characteristics - similar to Luke

I. unable to take strong, solid meat = no growth in word of God - unable to appreciate word = why? ~~they~~ are dull & hearing - Heb 5:11 - sluggish, indifferent, neglect - word has no effect - the carnal mind makes all things carnal - like quicksand all is absorbed & flesh against growth still gossip,

II. Selfish ambition - ^{II} zealous - wants own way, zealous

III. Self-assertion - ^{II} determined to get own way regardless cost - squabbling, contention, feelings aroused, quarrelsomeness & rivalries

Instead of bearing up one another they oppose each other & triples.

IV. How to be fed rather than feed = never minister to others but used to be ministered to = slow to sacrifice for others, but quick to criticize = won't work but complain when work isn't done or way it's done

V. Party spirit = ^{II} "another" - sees church in terms of his group

VI. False loyalty = ^{II} divide over personalities

VII. Think, act like worldly men = may be able to justify by argument, word but not spiritual perception

VIII - Engage in business talk

IX - View D's work in terms of men rather than D.
vs 8, 9

- 1 - Failure to answer
- 2 - Failure to cut along w/ others
- 3 - Failure to engage Truth