Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:14-3:4

## 'The Carnal and Spiritual Christian Compared'

1 Corinthians 2:14-3:4, Romans 7:14-23

## The Three Categories of People

- 1. The Natural—psuchikos = Sensuous = Natural
  - 1 Corinthians 2:14 Romans 7:7-13 Unregenerate
- 2. The Spiritual—pneumatikos = Spiritual = Renewed Man
  - 1 Corinthians 2:15 Romans 7:1-6 Married to another—Christ
- 3. The Carnal—sarkikos = Carnal = Fleshly Man
  - 1 Corinthians 3:1-4 Romans 7:14-23 Saved but governed by old man.

<u>God desires us all to grow up and mature</u>—stop wandering around in the spiritual desert, being governed by old man.

## Marks of Maturity seen in:

- 1. One's Appetite
  - 1 Corinthians 3:1-2, Hebrews 5:10-6:3
- 2. One's Attitudes
  - 1 Corinthians 3:3, James 3:13-18
- 3. One's Attractions and Affections
  - 1 Corinthians 3:4, Colossians 2:20-3:5
- 4. One's Abilities
  - 1 Corinthians 12-14, Ephesians 4:7-16, Matthew 25:14-34, 1 Corinthians 4:6-7