INSIDE-OUT LIVING

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- I. <u>2 Cor 4:16-18</u> Outward man vs. Inward man
 - A. James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

II. Eph 2:1-3 - Initial stage - Natural man

- A. **<u>Course</u>** *aion* The cycle or present round of things. Society and current culture dictate.
- B. Prince of the power of the air Source behind the world's course
 - 1. **<u>Eph 6:12</u>** Don't wrestle against flesh and blood
- C. <u>Works</u> energeo Active and operative
 - 1. Rom 6:16 Slave to whom we obey
- D. Conducted anastrepho To overturn, to twist around, turn here and there
 - 1. **<u>Conduct</u>** *vb* to direct the performance of, lead from a position of command.
- E. **Fulfilling** *poieo* To produce results or cause them to exist.
 - 1. Rom 8:3-4 Fulfill
- F. Nature phusis Growth, natural production or development
 - 1. The desires we fulfill will be the nature that we produce!
 - 2. <u>**2 Peter 1:4**</u> Partakers of the Divine nature
- G. We have to train our outer man to the superior reality of the inner man!
 - 1. Rom 12:2 Transformed by renewing your mind

III. 1 Cor 3:1-3 - 2nd Stage - Carnal man -

- A. **<u>Spiritual</u>** *pneumatikos* Pattern of life controlled or directed by God's spirit; Divine nature.
- B. <u>**Carnal**</u> 1 Cor 3:1 AMP but as to nonspiritual [men of the flesh, in whom the carnal nature predominates], as to mere infants [in the new life] in Christ [unable to talk yet!]
- C. Babes in Christ nepios Not speaking, an infant; immature Christian
- D. <u>Milk vs. Solid food</u> The quality of the Word you take in will determine your level of growth. Your input will determine your output.

- 1. <u>**1** Peter 2:2</u> 2 as newborn babes, <u>*desire*</u> the <u>pure</u> milk of the word, that you may grow thereby
 - a) **Desire** to long for something, with the implication of recognizing a lack (You get hungry enough) to deeply desire, intensely crave possession.
 - b) **Pure** unadulterated; free from foreign or inferior substance or element
 - c) <u>Grow</u> *auzano* to spring up and develop to maturity, to increase, to grow, to spread
- E. Not able to receive it Natural (Outer) Man
 - 1. 1 Cor 2:13-14
 - a) **Natural Man** *psuchikos* Pertaining to behavior that is typical of human nature in contrast with that which is under the control of God's Spirit.
 - b) <u>Receive</u> dechomai To readily receive information and regard it as true
 - 2. Gal 1:15-16 I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood (Outer Man)
 - a) Confer prosanatithemi To ask someone for advice
- IV. John 1:10-13 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to <u>become</u> children of God, to those who believe in His name.
 - A. **Become** to happen, with the implication that what happens is different from a previous state
 - 1. Children (Sons) teknon a child
 - B. Heb 5:12-14 Babes when you ought to be teachers
 - C. Our inheritance is complete when we are in Christ but our appropriation of that inheritance is a process!
 - 1. Eph 1:18 inheritance "in" the saints Inner Man