- I. 2 Cor 4:16-18 Outward man vs. Inward man
 - A. <u>James 2:26</u> 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. **Course** *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. **Eph 6:12** 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. <u>Conducted</u> anastrepho To overturn, to twist around, turn here and there
 - 1. **Conduct** 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. **2 Peter 1:4** 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. **Spiritual** *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. <u>Babes in Christ</u> *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)	<u>Desire</u> - 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) Grow 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) <u>Natural Man</u> *psuchikos* Pertaining to behavior that is typical of human nature in contrast with that which is under the control of God's Spirit.
 - **b)** Receive 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) <u>Confer</u> *prosanatithemi* To ask someone for advice
- IV. <u>John 1:10-13</u> 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to <u>become *children*</u> of God, to those who believe in His name.
 - A. **<u>Become</u>** 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. <u>Epn</u>	<u> 1:16</u> - Innerita	ince in the sal	ints - Inner Man		