

# 1 CORINTHIANS

## *Correcting the Church*

### *"The Cure for Carnal Division, Part 3"*

**INTRO:** *The schism that revealed carnality in the Corinthian church had a cure in the Gospel. The Gospel however finds fleshly competition in human philosophy. How does the Gospel prevail over human "wisdom?" This is Part 3 of the answer.*

**I. Unity in the \_\_\_\_\_ is the cure for carnal \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Disagreement doesn't always have to lead to division, but unity in the "Good News" can turn potential division to oneness.*

**II. Human \_\_\_\_\_ fuels a *fleshly* desire for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, creating division.**

*In their fallen state, Humans crave power and wisdom. Believers wrestle against philosophies which compete with allegiance to Christ.*

**III. The Gospel unites by \_\_\_\_\_ all Believers under Christ (1:18-2:5).** *This was the Apostle Paul's answer.*

**A. The Gospel's \_\_\_\_\_ is based in *humility* (1:18-25).** *Our message of the Gospel exalts a crucified (and risen) Messiah.*

**B. The Gospel's \_\_\_\_\_ embodies *humility* (1:26-31).** *Boasting is void in the elective purpose of God.*

**C. The Gospel's \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrated *humility* (2:1-5).** *Paul was not like the Sophists who fleeced people.*

1. Paul refused to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Paul relied on the \_\_\_\_\_ power.