A Culture Of Confusion: A Study In 1 Corinthians

"Three Pictures Of Ministry" 1 Corinthians 3:5-17

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| Introduction: | As we continue our jou | rney through 1 | Corinthians, | Paul has |
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| just explained | there are three kinds of | f people. | | |

- Natural
- Spiritual
- Fleshly
- These categories greatly impact our understanding of God's Word as well as our level of obedience.
- 2. According to Paul, many if not all the problems plaguing Corinth were rooted in their immaturity.
- 3. Because of immaturity they did not really understand ministry.
- 4. In today's study, Paul paints three pictures of ministry.
- 5. They serve as a warning we must heed.
- I. Ministry Is Like Farming
 - A. A Partnership
 - B. With Accountability
- II. Ministry Is Like Construction
 - A. A Foundation
 - B. The Structure
 - C. Accountability

- III. Ministry Is Like A Temple
 - A. Spiritual/Holy
 - B. Handle With Care!

Conclusion: Corinthian immaturity is a threat to the church.

- 1. In these pictures, Paul's point is clear.
- 2. We all have a role in ministry, we are to make a positive contribution to God's work.
- 3. Prescott Church will thrive as we understand and reflect these pictures!