

## HIS WORKMANSHIP

**1 COR 3:1** And I, brethren, **could not speak unto you as unto spiritual**, but as unto **carnal**, *even* as unto **babes in Christ**.

Babes in Christ are those who have not yet developed or strengthened their inner man (spiritual man).

Paul reveals his desperation for he plainly states that the Corinthians were carnal Christians. They were “sense-governed”. They failed to draw on the inner riches of Christ. Paul was not able to teach them the deeper things of God.

Some would say, “but weren’t they blood bought having external life”.

Absolutely, but they were sense directed. They were led by their senses and not by the Holy Spirit. Their inner man was constantly fighting against the life changing characteristics of the Word. Every believer must be locked into (abide with) the Holy Spirit and be able to be redirected; made ready to receive “revelation” from God.

### Scriptural facts of His Workmanship

The Word is at work within us. The living Word is our life and light source.  
(1Joh 1:1-4; 1Joh 3:2-3; Heb 4:12)

We have been given redemption and forgiveness; (Eph 1:7)

We are his workmanship; it is not our job to fix the old man, however, we must be in agreement with His building works. (Eph 2:10)

We have been released from the kingdom of darkness. (Col 1:13)

**ROM 6:6** “Knowing this, that **our old man is crucified with *him***, ”

**COL 1:13-14** Who hath delivered us **from the power of darkness**, and **hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son**:

Read 1Pet 1:18-19; Joh 15:1-8. Note the words of Christ. "Herein is my Father glorified, **that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.**"

**1 COR 7:23** **Ye are bought with a price**; be not ye the servants of men. 24Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide.

Study these verses: Rom 8:36-37; Rom 6:14; Col 2:15

**GAL 2:20** **I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me**: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Paul reckoned on the fact that he was dead to “carnal” living. Christ’s crucified life

was literally superimposed over Paul's life. It was not possible for Paul to think carnally, for the old life was crucified. (Rom 6:6)

**HEB 2:14** Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; **that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;**

Satan's work is finished! We should be submitted to a different Spirit.

**EPH 4:23** And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; **24And that ye put on the new man,** which after God is created in righteousness.

**COL 2:6-7** As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, **so walk ye in him:**

**JAS 1:18** Of his own will begat he us with **the word of truth,** that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

**1 COR 2:12** Now we have received, **not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God;** that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. **13Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.**

**ROM 12:1** I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye **present your bodies a living sacrifice,** holy, acceptable unto God, *which is your reasonable service.* **2And be not conformed to this world:** but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

**ROM 8:15** For **they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh;** but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

**ROM 5:17** For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of **the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.**

As Abraham lived in a different faith realm to others of his day, so Paul mentions "reigning in life". The life of God had lifted him into a different realm whereby he was transformed. (Rom 12:2) He reigned in Christ.

**ACT 6:7** And **the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied** in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Due to strong anointed leaders, hundreds of mature disciples were being added to the church. We must work with God; it may be His workmanship, but our responsibility.