

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Walking in the flesh

- **Verse of the week: 1 Cor. 3:7** “So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth.”
- **Issue No. 1—Divisions and quarrels among believers**
 - **Worldly thinking (wisdom) and prideful boasting in men**
 - **Ignoring the centrality of the message of the cross**
 - **Failing to recognize wisdom comes from the Spirit of God**
- **Spiritual or fleshly children v. 1-4**
 - **Paul gives milk not solid food to the believers at Corinth Hebrews 5:12-13**
 - **Why?**
 - **Jealousy and strife among brothers**
 - **Over Christian leaders**
 - **Walking after the flesh like mere men**
- **Who then is Apollos or Paul?**
 - **Your servants and that of God**
 - **Through whom you believed**
 - **“as the Lord gave opportunity to each one” 1:9**
 - **Some are planters, as I was to you Corinthians**
 - **Some water, as Apollos was to you Corinthians**
 - **However, BUT and ONLY God causes growth x2**
 - **How dare you look to men?**
 - **God called you**
 - **Christ Jesus died on a cross for you**
 - **These servants are nothing—God causes the growth**
 - **Each servant will receive their own reward**
 - **From God not believers**
 - **These servants are FELLOW WORKERS**
 - **You’re God’s field and building (living stones) 1 Peter 2:4-5**