

Message Notes:

Series: Soaring Spiritually

Message: Stop sucking from dry bottles

Passage: 1 Corinthians 3: 1-23

Intro: _____

3: 1 "Fleshy" = "sarkinois" - to be m_____ of flesh.

In v3 the word, "worldly" is sarkinoi and = means to be c_____ by flesh.

Hebrews 5: 12-14

Baby believers are often:

L_____: Demanding, I'm going to have my say; its all your fault; you are the problem; I am going to start taking care of me first

L_____: They set up manmade markers for what they determine is spiritual and whether others are walking spiritually based on their markers.

Some signs of bottle suckers:

One: They are spiritually n_____

Two: They are s_____ -c_____

Three: They follow h_____ leaders: *1 Cor. 3: 4-5*

Four: They i_____ sin in their life or cover it up/excuse it and get upset when called out about it.

Five: They a_____ /are d_____ : *1 Cor. 3: 3*

Six: They want to be s_____ but don't s_____ unless pushed

How to grow spiritually:

One: Make everything about Jesus, not o_____ : 1 Cor 3: 6; 1 Cor. 3: 8

Two: Remember it is about p_____ ; not p_____ 3: 10-15;
Philippians 3: 13-14

1 Cor 3: 10 - "**Master builder**" = we get our word, "a _____" *Eph. 2: 8-10*

Conditions that can cool off our passion for Christ:

One: D_____ : We get away from daily, undisturbed intimacy with Christ

Two: D_____ : Slippage begins when we start believing a lie.

Three: D_____ : We allow problems to define our position in Christ.

Four: D_____ : We are in a wrong relationship

Five: D_____ : We fail to comprehend that we are in spiritual warfare

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You are in one of three spiritual states this morning:

One: Spiritually dead: living without Christ inside of you- the Bible calls this: the natural man- you see yourself as a good person but a lot of good people are going to spend eternity in hell- goodness never qualifies you for relationship and eternity with God.

Two: Spiritually immature: fleshy- Christ lives in you but you are living more by personal feelings, life circumstances and other people's expectations

Three: Spiritually maturing: the power of the Holy Spirit is evidenced in your life because you are fully yielded to Jesus. They are discerning about what they allow in and what they keep out of their mind, heart and spirit.

APPLICATION:

One: Am I building up my church through committed service in my church, generous giving through my church and keep my relationships right within my church?

Two: Is there any area of my life that Christ is not the foundation of: i.e. actions, habits, patterns of behavior, speech, spending decisions and what will I do to make Christ the foundation of all I do and say?

Three: Am I reading the Bible more than I am listening to others read it for me? What will I change to deepen my personal time in God's Word daily?

Four: Am I giving generously to back to God from what He provides for me to live on and am I consulting God before I make major purchases with His money?