

1 CORINTHIANS 2-3

Four types of people are described in 2:14 - 3:4.

1. The natural man (2:14).

Greek: psychikos. The unsaved person (Jude 19 and Rom. 8:9). He does not receive (welcome) the things of the Spirit because he does not possess new life in Christ.

2. The spiritual person (2:15).

Spiritually includes 3 things: (1) regeneration; (2) control by the Holy Spirit or yieldedness; (3) time. See also Heb. 5:11-14.

3. Babes in Christ (3:1).

Greek: sarkinos. Weakness is involved as expected of a new believer. Diet: milk. Remedy: growth.

4. Carnal Christians (3:3).

Greek: sarkikos.  
Self-willfulness is involved. Remedy: confession.

3:11-15 is a central passage on the judgment seat of Christ (see also 2 Cor. 5:10 and remember Acts 18:16-17. Service and rewards are in view, not salvation and destiny in heaven or hell (see v. 15). Rewards are pictured as crowns (9:25).

1 Thess. 2:19	-	Crown of Rejoicing
2 Tim. 4:8	-	Crown of Righteousness
James 1:12	-	Crown of Life
1 Peter 5:4	-	Crown of Glory

(Also note Rev. 2:10; 3:11, 4:4; 10).

The "temple" in 3:16-17 refers to the local church.

- Mattiah*
- (1) Enduring (or not) quality of our works.
  - (2) doctrine - True or false
  - (3) motives
  - (4) Bel & unbel.