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| **Slide #** |  |
| **1** | **Barriers To Unity****Ignorance, Carnality, Apathy****1 Corinthians 2:14-3:3** |
| **2** | **#1 - A Lack of Love****“*Knowledge makes arrogant, but love edifies.”*** (1 Corinthians 8:1-2)***“Let all that you do be done in love.”*** (1 Corinthians 16:14)**1 Corinthians 13:4-7**, How does love bring about unity? |
| **3** | **#2 - Selfishness, Arrogance & Pride*** We’re all just ***“servants…*** *and* ***stewards…”*** (1 Corinthians 4:1)
* Therefore, we must *“****learn not to exceed what is written****,* ***so that no one of you will become arrogant*** *in behalf of one against the other.”* (1 Corinthians 4:6; cf., 1:12)
* **Arrogance displayed in tolerance of sin**. (1 Corinthians 5:1, 6)
* **Displayed in the exercising of**
	1. **Spiritual gifts** (1 Corinthians 14:1-12; 26-33)
	2. **Personal liberties**. (1 Corinthians 8:7-13; 9:19-23; 10:23-33)
	3. **Worship**. (1 Corinthians 11:21)
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| **4** | **#2 - Selfishness, Arrogance & Pride****Solution**: * + **Selflessness & humility**! (Philippians 2:1-7; 1 Peter 3:8; 5:5)
	+ **Self awareness** - (Matthew 18:23ff; Luke 7:4off)
	+ **Kindness** (Ephesians 5:31-32)
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| **5**  | **#3 – Carnality*** **Affects teaching** because the carnal cannot receive spiritual teaching. (1 Corinthians 2:14-3:3)
* **Affects worship** in coming together for the wrong reason(s). (1 Corinthians 11:17-23, 33-34)
* **Affects the work** “the church” does. (1 Timothy 5:16; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2)
* **Affects the organization** of the church. (1 Peter 5:1-3; Acts 20:28)
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| **6** | **#3 – Carnality****Solution:*** **“Turn off” the carnal influences and set our minds on the spiritual. (Colossians 3:1-2; 2 Corinthians 10:7)**
* **Self Control re: the physical (& spiritual). (Acts 24:25; 1 Corinthians 9:25; 2 Peter 1:5-6)**
* **Being “filled with the Spirit”. (Ephesians 5:18; Colossians 3:16)**
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| **7** | **#4 – Ignorance*** Not knowing is not only divisive but deadly. (Hosea 4:6; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).
* Nothing to stop some from being “***tossed to and fro and carried about by every wind of doctrine***”. (Ephesians 4:14)
* **Teaching and knowledge that begins in the home**. (Deuteronomy 6; Ephesians 6:1-4)
* Disciples/Christians are **continually taught and retaught**. (2 Peter 1:12-15; 1 Timothy 4:6)
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| **8** | **#4 – Ignorance****Solution:*** **“CPE” - Continuing Professional Education. Learn God’s will and keep filled with it. (1 Timothy 4:6ff; 2 Timothy 3:13-17)**
* **Zeal needs knowledge of God’s will. (Romans 10:1-2)**
* **A tender heart that responds by faith.**
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| **9** | **#5 – Apathy**God is not indifferent to man’s indifference. (Malachi 1:13; Revelation 2:4; 3:16) |
| **10** | **#5 - Causes Of Apathy*** Weariness (Galatians 6:6-10)
* Distractions (Luke 8:14)
* Wickedness (Matthew 24:12)
* love of the world (1 John 2:15; Revelation 3:16),
* Lack of growth (2 Peter 3:16-17),
* Inconsistency (Philippians 2:12);
* Lack of spiritual nourishment (1 Timothy 4:6; 1 Peter 2:1-3);
* Doubt about judgement (2 Peter 3);
* Unfaithfulness of others
* Neglect (Haggai 1)
* Spiritual sleepiness
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| **11** | **#5 – Apathy**Cure: * Wake up and Get busy… reading, serving, worshipping, studying, growing. (Titus 2:14)
* Eliminate the weeds and distractions. Look to zealous brethren (Philippians 3:17
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