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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) |
| **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) |
| **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) |
| **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)** |
| **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) |
| **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.** |
| **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 |
| **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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