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## WE ARE GOD'S FIELD

God's Design for Spiritual Health and Growth  
(1 Corinthians 3:1-9)

### INTRODUCTION:

#### METAPHORS OF THE CHURCH IN 1 CORINTHIANS:

1. We Are His \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Corinthians 3:9b-15)
2. We Are His \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Corinthians 3:16-18)
3. We Are His \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Corinthians 12:27)
4. We Are His \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Corinthians 3:1-9a)  
    "...you are God's field..." (v. 9)

### THE CONTEXT: THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF SPIRITUAL HEALTH... (1 Corinthians 2:1-16)

#### • OUR FAITH \_\_\_\_\_ UPON THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD,... (V. 1-5)

*"For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. ...so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God."*

—1 Corinthians 2:2, 5

#### • AND \_\_\_\_\_ UPON \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD,... (V. 6-9)

*"Yet we do speak wisdom among those who are mature; a wisdom, however, not of this age nor of the rulers of this age, who are passing away; but we speak God's wisdom..."*

—1 Corinthians 2:6f.

#### • AS \_\_\_\_\_ BY THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD. (V. 10-16)

*"For to us God revealed them through the Spirit..."*

### THE TEXT: THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF SPIRITUAL HEALTH... (1 Corinthians 3:1-9)

THE FRUITFULNESS OF THE HARVEST WILL BE \_\_\_\_\_ BY...

#### 1A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ . (v. 1)

*"And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual men, but as to men of flesh, as to infants in Christ."*

2A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 2a)

"I gave you milk to drink, not solid food..."

3A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 2b-4)

"...for you were not yet able to receive it. Indeed, even now you are not yet able,<sup>3</sup> for you are still fleshly. For since there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not fleshly, and are you not walking like mere men?<sup>4</sup> For when one says, 'I am of Paul,' and another, 'I am of Apollos,' are you not mere men?"

4A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 5-9a)

"What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one.<sup>6</sup> I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth.<sup>7</sup> So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth.<sup>8</sup> Now he who plants and he who waters are one; but each will receive his own reward according to his own labor.<sup>9</sup> For we are God's fellow workers..."

1B. In God's field, there are no \_\_\_\_\_, only \_\_\_\_\_ — teammates with distinct \_\_\_\_\_, complementary \_\_\_\_\_, and unique, sovereignly given \_\_\_\_\_.

2B. In God's field, God is the ultimate \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

3B. In God's field, we need an attitude of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

CONCLUSION:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ God's \_\_\_\_\_ above all else.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ with one another in \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ ...because the fruitfulness of the harvest is ultimately \_\_\_\_\_.

