

BASIC MESSAGE

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When most of us think of carnality we think of things
like drunkenness fornication, etc.

Our greatest error is not recognizing the carnality in ourselves.
We don't see that carnality is anything that comes from our flesh.

Carnality is anything that does not come from God's Spirit.

This is especially true when it comes to ministry.

God has called us to Kingdom ministry (Matthew 6:33, 10:7-8),
but much of the ministry today is carnal.

Paul tells us what that is in 1 Corinthians 3:1-15.

Let us compare the two.

Kingdom Ministry vs. Carnal Ministry

Kingdom ministry involves calling people to
a committed relationship with Jesus.

Carnal ministry has as its goal getting a person
to join our particular organization or group.

In Kingdom ministry the primary commitment is to God.
In carnal ministry the most important thing is the persons
commitment to the group or organization.

In Kingdom ministry spirituality is measured by
how much a person pursues a relationship with God,
and seeks to fulfill His purpose for their life.

In carnal ministry spirituality is measured by how faithful a
person is to the agenda of the group or organization.

Kingdom ministry allows a person to develop a personal vision of God's purpose for their life, and helps them see how that fits in to God's plan for His team The Church.

Carnal ministry seeks to indoctrinate people into the agenda of the group or organization so they will do what the group or organization wants them to do.

Kingdom ministry uses the majority of its resources to get the gospel to those who need to hear it.

Carnal ministry uses the majority of its resources to build comfortable buildings so people can be entertained and seek God's blessings for themselves.

Kingdom ministry produces the life of Jesus.

Carnal ministry produces religious activity and dead works.

BASIC Question:

Is your ministry Kingdom or carnal?

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Luke 8:5-15