

"Paul Has Us Pegged"

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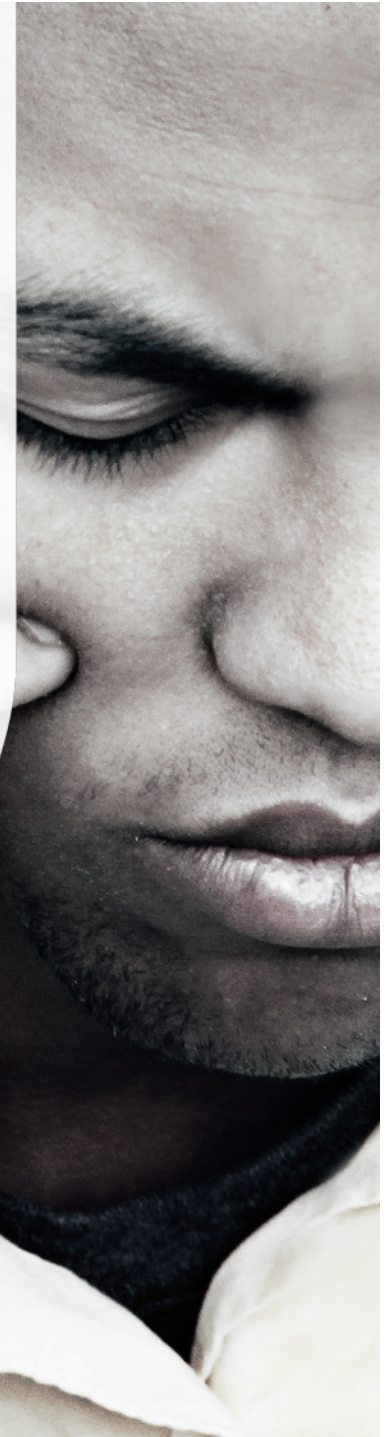
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3:1 And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, [even] as unto babes in Christ.

² I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able *to bear it*, neither yet now are ye able.

³ For ye are yet carnal: for whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?



I. The Depravity of the Natural Man

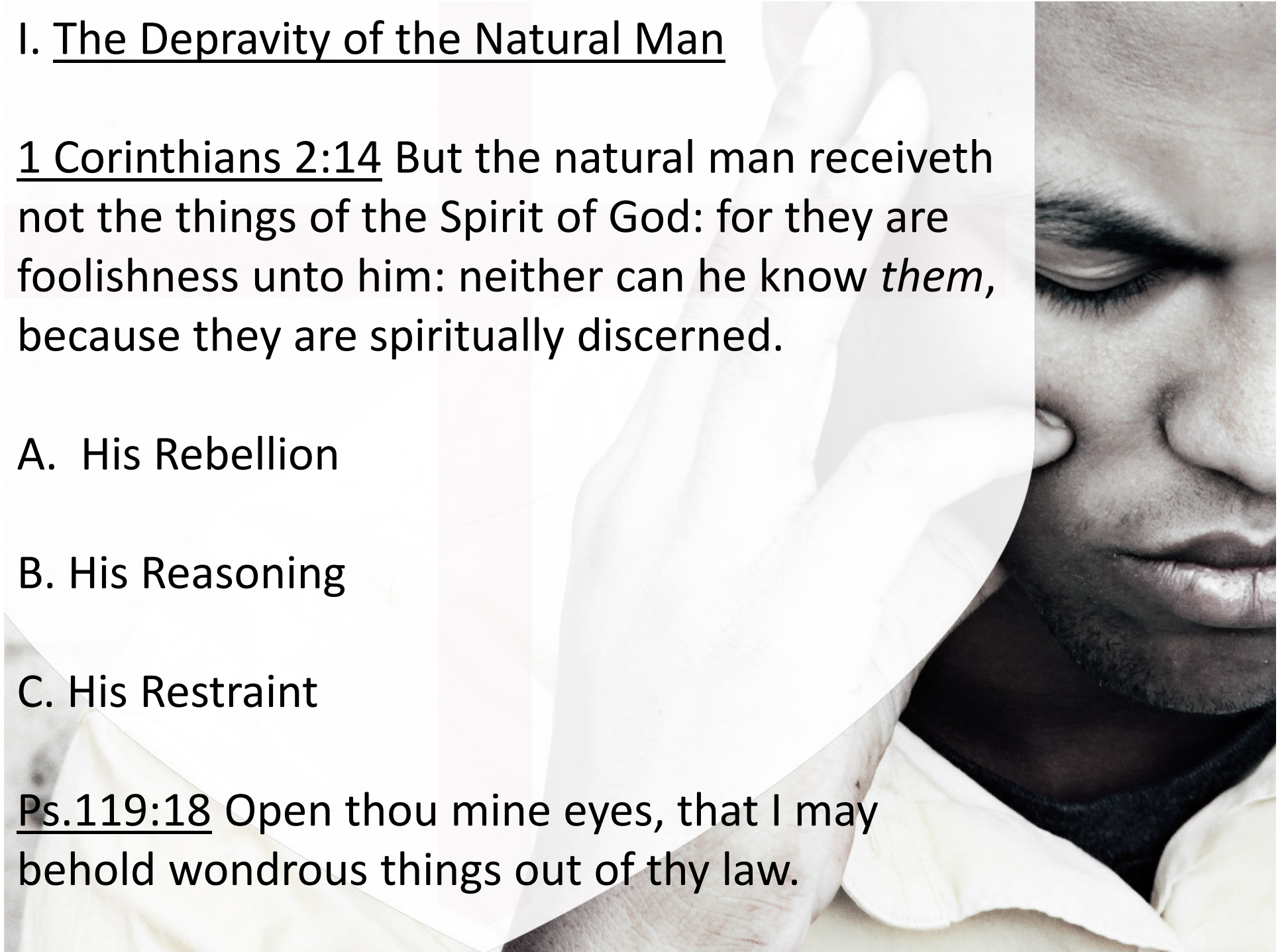
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A. His Rebellion

B. His Reasoning

C. His Restraint

Ps.119:18 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

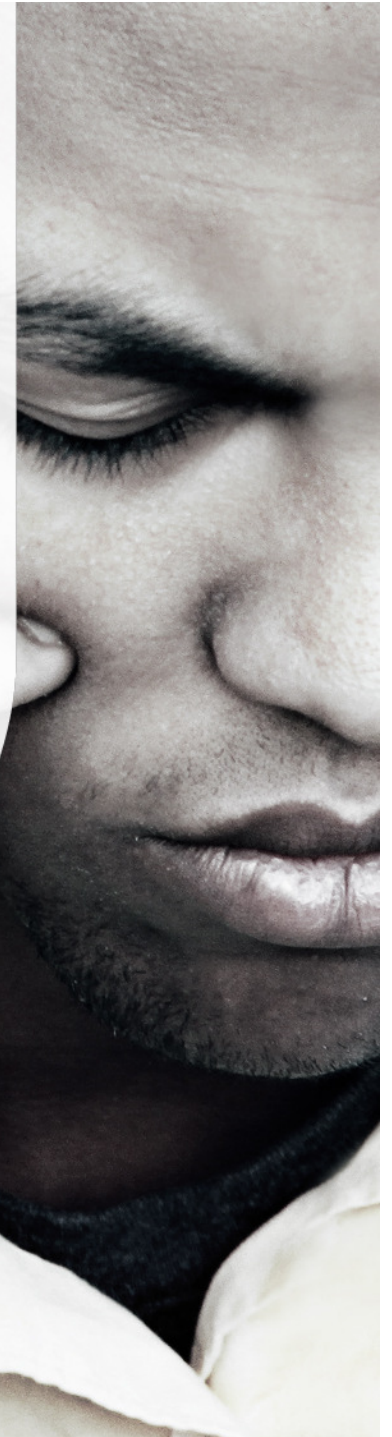


II. The Dedication of the Spiritual Man (2:15-16)

A. A Man of Discernment (15a) – But he that is spiritual judgeth all things.

1 Jn.2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

B. A Man of Distinction (15b) – yet he himself is judged of no man.



C. A Man of Discipline (16) – For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

Lu.24:45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

III. The Deficiency of the Carnal Man (3:1-3)

A. They Lack Maturity (1-2)

B. They Lack Unity (3:3) – For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

