Outline of 1 Corinthians (From Hiebert)

Introduction (1:1-9)

- I. Concerning Church Factions
 - A.The reaction to the report of their factions (1:10-17)
 - B.The arguments against church factions (1:18 4:5)
 - 1. Their inconsistency with the nature of the Gospel (1:18 3:4)
 - a. The Gospel is not worldly wisdom (1:18 2:5)
 - 1) The proof from the reactions to the Gospel (1:18 2:5)
 - 2) The proof from the makeup of the church (1:26-31)
 - 3) The proof from his work among them (2:1-5)

- b. The Gospel is heavenly wisdom (2:6 3:4)
 - 1) The recipients of this wisdom (2:6a)
 - 2) The nature of this wisdom (2:6b-12)
 - 3) The apprehension of this wisdom (2:13 3:4)
 - a) The manner of its transmission (2:13)
 - b) The people apprehending this wisdom (2:14-16)
 - (1) The inability of the <u>natural man</u> (14)
 - (2) The apprehension of the <u>spiritual man</u> (15-16)
 - c) The hindrances to its apprehension (3:1-4)
 - (1) The fact of their carnality (1-3a)
 - (2) The evidence of their carnality (3b-4)