

10 KINDS OF PEOPLE YOU MAY MEET IN ANY CHURCH

Where are you on this continuum?

Group A - *The Unsaved*

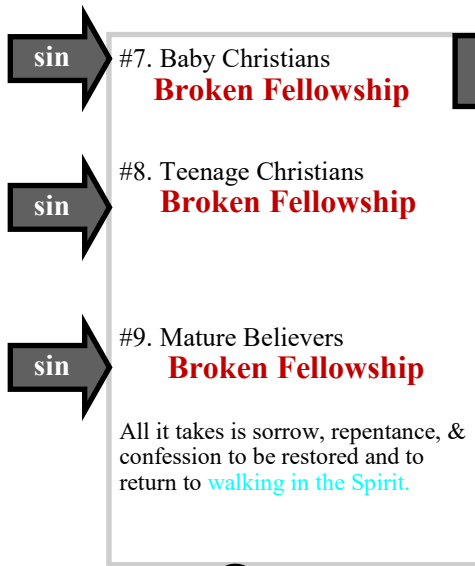
- #1. **UNBELIEVERS** who have never heard or understood
- #2. **PROFESSING "BELIEVERS"** who are trusting in their own good works
- #3. **REBELLIOUS DISBELIEVERS** who know the truth and reject it with eyes wide open

Group B - *The Saved*

#4. Baby Christians, still on milk
Walking in the Spirit the best they know how

#5. Teenage Christians, old enough to feed themselves, not mature enough to guide others well
Walking in the Spirit the best they know how

#6. Mature Believers, steady diet of meat & truly spiritual
Has logged years walking in the Spirit



Harboring sin in the heart leads to

- impurity
- holding grudges
- seeking evil
- hardness of heart
- unconfessed sin
- clutching false doctrine
- complaining Spirit
- habitual lying
- causing strife

If "out-of-fellowship" can last two days or two weeks, the indwelling Holy Spirit does not have a button He can push to keep it from lasting 2 years or 2 decades.

The Carnal Heart

The solution is **repentance and confession.**

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Our 3-Legged Stool
Yieldedness
Knowledge
Time

Ephesians 4.13

perfect = mature, not sinless, but deeply imbedded in Christ Himself, logging lots of time abhorring sin

3 ingredients of a spiritually mature believer:

- Degree of **yieldedness** to the Spirit
- Fairly complete **knowledge** of the whole Bible
- **Length of time** you've been faithfully, daily walking with the Lord

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