

THE CHURCH BEAUTIFUL MESS

A STUDY ON 1 CORINTHIANS



God's Revealed Wisdom
1 Corinthians 2:6-16
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1 Corinthians 1:17-18

For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ will not be emptied of its power. For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but it is the power of God to us who are being saved.



1 Corinthians 1:22-23

For the Jews ask for signs and the Greeks seek wisdom, 23 but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles.



1 Corinthians 2:1-2

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, announcing the mystery of God to you, I did not come with brilliance of speech or wisdom. I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.



If the message of Christ and Him Crucified has a result of being either foolishness or a stumbling block, why does Paul nevertheless insist on the message of Christ and Him crucified?



1 Corinthians 2:4-5

4 My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, 5 so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.



1. Only the Spirit of God reveals for us the wisdom of God.



2. Only the Spirit of God reveals what is a hidden mystery to the natural: Jesus, the Lord of glory.



3. Only the Spirit of God reveals the awesome rewards promised for us in the gospel.



4. Only the Spirit of God reveals the depths and purposes of God for us.