

“Secret Wisdom Revealed”

I Corinthians 2:6-16

The Wisdom that Paul Preached... Paul has already made very clear that he does not preach a message that the world thinks is wise, yet among the “mature” (Christians), he does proclaim a message of wisdom - the message that God rescues sinners through the cross of Jesus Christ.

God’s Hidden Wisdom (2:6-9)... Not only do unbelievers consider the cross to be foolish, but they are also blinded from being able to understand and accept its message. Even though God’s wisdom has been fully demonstrated in the cross, its truth and power are still hidden from the “natural” (unbelieving) person.

Wisdom Revealed by the Spirit (2:10-16)... The only way for this message of wisdom to be understood and believed by sinful and foolish persons is the link of the Holy Spirit. When one is made new by the Spirit and filled with the Spirit, then he is able to embrace in faith the amazing wisdom of God revealed in the cross of Jesus Christ.

Questions for Discussion:

1. How does the blindness of unbelievers to the cross’ wisdom change the way we evangelize?
2. How does it impact you to know that God chose you to share in a future that is beyond your wildest dreams?
3. Why can the knowledge and wisdom of man never lead us to a true knowledge of God?
4. Have you ever been thought crazy or foolish because you believe in Jesus? When?