SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS JULY 10, 2022

- 1. What is the difference between being wise and being clever? Is it possible to be wise without being particularly clever? Which of the two would be the more important life-skill?
- 2. Is it possible to bring a vision to fruition without having steps to arrive at that vision? Some have said a vision without steps to get there is not a viable plan, only a dream or desire. Do you agree?
- 3. Read Eph.3:10-11. Verse 10 speaks of the manifold wisdom of God made known by the church and revealed to the angels. This is, in part, the Father's plan of salvation. What was the greatest obstacle preventing people from being forgiven and reconciled to the Father, (see Rom.6:23)? How has God overcome this obstacle? See 2 Cor.5:21 and Rom.5:7-8.
- 4. Read Isa.6:5. Why do you think the prophet had this reaction when he saw God upon His throne?
- 5. Read Rev.1:12-18. The Apostle John here is seeing a vision of the resurrected Christ. How does he respond to this vision? Why do you think he has this reaction? How do you think you would react if Christ appeared to you?
- 6. How does the church reveal God's wisdom in His plan of salvation? (Hint: would there even be a church anywhere if there had been no salvation plan? Why/why not?)
- 7. Read Eph.3:6. What else is achieved through the wisdom of God according to this verse? How does the church reveal this wisdom? (Hint: the ancient world was unable to heal the rift between Jew and Gentile.)
- 8. The wisdom of God is also revealed through the various ways people come to Christ. Share briefly how you came to faith in Christ and note how different people in the group have come in different ways. Why do you think this is, and how does the church reveal God's wisdom through this reality?
- 9. From our study, list three aspects the wisdom of God has achieved.