

1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up

The Wisdom & Power of God

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Pastor Chris Lenhart – March 14, 2021

Introduction:

Key Question: How do we live as disciples of Jesus and function together as his Church in an overwhelmingly unbelieving world?

How do people in the world relate to the message of the cross?

How does God's wisdom and power differ from the wisdom and power of the world?

How does God communicate and demonstrate his wisdom and power in the world?

The Cross Divides (18-19)

Wisdom & Folly (20-23)

Power & Weakness (24-25)

How might our lives look in light of these realities?

Next Week: Pastor Emmanuel Adomako

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Supporting Scripture

1 Cor. 1-13 1 Cor. 13:13 1 Cor. 1:25

Jn. 17:26

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Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!	Scripture 1 Cor. 1-13
Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide your time together. Go over prayer requests together.	1 Cor. 13:13 1 Cor. 1:25
Read the Text -read the text together. (1 Cor. 1:18-25)	Acts 4:12-13 Jn. 17:26
Discussion Guiding Questions:	
1. What is the division identified in verse 18?	
2. How should this division be motivating for those who are being saved?	<u>Prayer</u> <u>Requests</u>
3. In what ways was the message of, "Christ crucified" a stumbling block for the Jews and foolishness to the gentiles?	Family
4. How has Jesus demonstrated both the wisdom of God and the power of God?	
5. What are some systems and ways of thinking in our culture today that demonstrate a perceived wisdom and power apart from the message of the cross?	Church
Questions towards Spiritual Growth & Discipleship:	Community
How does this text challenge you to grow in a greater love for God?	
2. How are you motivated to grow in a greater love for others?	Career/Friends
How might Jesus be motivating you apply some of the principles from this passage to your family, career, community, or church?	Other
How might Jesus be using you to draw those that do not know him, unto himself?	
5. How will you pray for each other between now and next time you meet?	