

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

⁶Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him”—¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. ¹³And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. ¹⁶“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

Having the Mind of Christ - Priceless

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God's wisdom, having the mind of Christ, is priceless.

The wisdom of the world is not priceless.

- Associated with power, authority, self-glorification
- Doomed to pass away
- Misses wisdom of God
- All part of God's plan
- Views God's wisdom as folly

The wisdom of God is priceless.

- God's wisdom is unlike the wisdom of the world.
- God's wisdom is unknowable without God's help.
- God gave us His Spirit to know His wisdom.

Notes:

Life Group Discussion Questions

Based on 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

Getting Started

1. If someone came up to you and said, "God told me to tell you [fill in the blank]", what would be your first thought? Have you had this happen before?
2. How do you go about discerning whether or not an idea or statement is "from God"?
3. In what ways do you think the Holy Spirit communicates with Christians today?

Digging into the Text

4. Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-16 and respond:
 - How would you summarize what Paul is saying in this passage?
 - What type of wisdom does Paul impart and to whom?
 - Based on vv. 10-14, why is the role of God's Spirit in communicating this wisdom so important to Paul's argument?
 - In v. 15, what do you think Paul intends to communicate when he says, "*The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one*"? In what ways are Christians supposed to judge?
 - What does having the "*mind of Christ*" mean?

Applying It to My Life

5. How has this passage encouraged or expanded your view of the Spirit's importance in your life?
6. What is a step you can take this week to rely more on the Spirit to guide your thoughts and actions?
7. In what ways can the group be praying for you as we all seek to better think and act the way that Jesus does?