

Ashamed of the Gospel

When the Church Becomes Like the World

Lesson #6 The Foolishness of God

Read chapter Five and answer the following questions from pages 117-130.

1 Corinthians 1:18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:21-23 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. 22 For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; 23 but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,

- 1) When is intellectual and academic respectability not a worthy goal?

- 2) “Divine _____ may not always _____ wise under _____ evaluation.”

- 3) What did the converts in Corinth think human wisdom could do to divine revelation?

- 4) What has caused more leaders and institution’s to go on the downgrade?

- 5) “It is impossible to elevate _____ wisdom without lowering _____ truth?”

- 6) What does human wisdom cater to?

- 7) What does the gospel demand of people?

- 8) How is divine wisdom viewed by the world?

- 9) What can worldly wisdom not do?

- 10) “Although Paul was willing to become a _____ to all, he was _____ willing to _____ the gospel or _____ God’s design for preaching it.”

- 11) Human wisdom’s way of salvation gives the glory to whom?

- 12) What is God interested in doing in people’s lives?