

The REAL GOD: WISDOM

1 Corinthians 2 (p.1,051)

A. Wisdom of the World 2:1-5

The Corinthians had failed to transition from the wisdom/philosophy of the world to a **biblical worldview**. They were surrounded by immorality. Pagan philosophies built on Greek mythology were pervasive.

...coming to **nothing!**

B. Wisdom of God 2:7-10

1. Formerly a hidden **mystery**, indiscernible to man.
2. Revealed in this age by the **Holy Spirit**.

Ephesians 1:7-10

We have **redemption** in Him through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace...

C. Wisdom of Redeemed Christians 2:11-14

1. Wisdom begins with salvation.

Proverbs 9:10

Christ is God's power and God's wisdom.

2. Wisdom grows through **worship**.

3. Mature believers **share** the wisdom of God.

James 1:5

Find a verse each week that has meaning for you and be ready to share the WISDOM of God with others.

Our greatest **peace** and satisfaction come as we turn from our own wisdom and trust the WISDOM of God.

In God's wisdom, He is forming a people who will love, honor and praise Him for eternity—people who rejoice continually in the saving love of God.

Quotes regarding the Wisdom of God:

"Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and the knowledge of God! How unsearchable His judgments and untraceable His ways!"

-Paul the Apostle, Romans 11:33

"Since God is infinite and wise, He must be infinitely wise: This is called omnisapience. So as applied to God, wisdom refers to His unerring ability to choose the best means to accomplish the best ends. As such, God's wisdom is written in several other attributes: His omniscience provides the knowledge for His wise choices; His omnibenevolence assures that they will be good choices; and His omnipotence enables Him to achieve His ends by the means He chooses."

-Dr. Norman Geisler, Systematic Theology

"Wisdom is the power to see, and the inclination to choose, the best and highest goal, together with the surest means of attaining it. Wisdom is, in fact, the practical side of moral goodness. As such, it is found in its fullness only in God. He alone is naturally and entirely and invariable wise."

-J.I. Packer, Knowing God

"We must cease striving and trust God to provide what He thinks is best and in whatever time He chooses to make it available. But this kind of trusting doesn't come naturally. It's a spiritual crisis of the will in which we must choose to exercise faith."

-Charles R. Swindoll