

1ST CORINTHIANS | THE FOOLISHNESS OF GOD

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"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom . . ." (Proverbs 9:10a, ESV) Today, people may say the search bar on Google is the beginning of wisdom or Siri is the beginning of wisdom, or AI, etc. Some say that AI is so advanced that it knows us better than ourselves. We are in the information age and many trust in information to solve all of our problems. Many also believe that all the answers can be found in education. They believe the more education the better the world will be. Though having good information and a good education are valuable, it is foolish to trust in the wisdom of man. Greek culture in the time of 1st Corinthians was enamored with philosophy. This affected the church and those in the church were looking to secular wisdom instead of seeking the wisdom of God. Paul compares God's wisdom to human wisdom. Is it preferable to embrace the wisdom of man or be seen as a fool for embracing the foolishness of God?

1. Every person falls into two groups: those who are _____ and those who _____.
2. Secular wisdom that contradicts the wisdom of God ultimately _____.
3. The wisdom of man cannot _____ God so _____ from God is absolutely necessary.
4. Those perishing reject the Gospel either as a _____ to their religion or _____ to their philosophical view.
5. The believer sees the Gospel as powerful to _____ and the wisdom of God as wonderful as God both secures _____ and satisfies _____.