

I CORINTHIANS 1 "THE WISDOM OF GOD Pt 1" LESSON 31 | 1 COR. 2:6-16

(1) Review / Intro:

- ① Paul is getting to the root of their divisions, that is, the free course that the wisdom of the world has within them and amongst them.
- ② In ch. 2 Paul takes on the excellency of speech, the enticing words of man's wisdom.
- ③ Paul brought up how he came to them - it wasn't with enticing words, it wasn't with human bravado or anything of that sort, but he did come "in demonstration of the Spirit and of power"
 - Man's wisdom Paul didn't come with "of the Spirit"
- ④ Paul's purpose is God's will that their faith would stand in God, that which they have abandoned.

(2) Review:

- ① We Speak Wisdom
 - (:6) a) Where our wisdom is not from → and its end
 - (:7) b) Where our wisdom is from → and its end
- ② Taking the wise in their craftiness

(3) Sermon:

[:6] Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world; nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:"

(1a) Where our wisdom is not from

• Yet, before that

① "Howbeit" - nevertheless, notwithstanding

• in other words Paul didn't come with the wisdom of the world, but does come with wisdom

• 1 Cor. 1:30 - Christ is God's wisdom in:

① Justification

② Sanctification

③ Glorification

② "we speak wisdom among them that are perfect"

- Paul goes beyond the wisdom that he came with originally, to more wisdom that he speaks

- Wisdom attached to "glory"

- Pro. 2:1-9; 3:7, 21-26, 4:1-27, 5:1ff

• "perfect" - spiritually mature (about their walk after the things of the world)

[view of the world of God] • 1 Cor 3:1-3

• Rom 1, 2, 3, 8, 12-15

[produces fruit] • 1 Thes. 2:10-13; 2 Thes. 3:1-5

③ Where it is not from?

["yet not the wisdom of this world" - the modus operandi of the authority in HP]

["nor of the princes of this world" - principalities & powers in heavenly places]

→ "that come to nought" (Isa. 25:7)

① The World is not what you thought it was → doesn't have a leg to stand on

- It will bow

①

② The propagators of the world that profess wisdom will be brought to nought

③ The PoW that have the influence over the nations will come to nought

- God will use us to bring them to nought thus they will come to nought

It's kind /

① "of this world" - confined (temporary, fleshly, earthly)

② It's end

② "come to nought" - will not abide, not everlasting, has end

⑥ Where it is from? → and end.

[:7] - "But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:"

["the wisdom of God"
"ordained before the world"
→ "unto our glory"

① What Paul has is "of God"

② What Paul has is not "of the world" → but, "of God", ordained before the world

• Therefore, it is preeminent to that which they are enamoured by
· Col. 1

③ What Paul has will not "come to nought" → but is our glory
• It is that which will abide 11 (Col. 3), everlasting (Rom. 6:22-24),

"in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom"

① hidden in view of the wisdom of the world

• Examples

② hidden in view of God not revealing it until now

• Rom. 8, 11, 16

• "before the world unto our glory"

(prophecy)
[• progressive revelation
• the mystery

[:8] - Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory