

STUDY GUIDE

Messy; Foolishness

WEEK OF August 26, 2018

I Corinthians 1:18-25

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 What stood out to you the most from Pastor Troy's message on Sun
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2. Give examples of how the cross is looked at differently in today's world than it was during the first century.

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3. Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-25. How does this passage illustrate that God's ways are not our ways?

4.	Why does the cross look foolish to the wise?
5.	What was the focus of the Greeks and Jews, and how do people look for wisdom today like the Greeks and Jews did? How did the cross of Christ address both Jews and Greeks?
6.	Why is it impossible to arrive at belief in Christ's message through the wisdom of the world? What has the message of the cross meant in your life?
7.	Read Proverbs 1:24-32. How is ignoring God's wisdom the same as rejecting it, and how do some accept some of His wisdom and reject other parts of it? Explain.

8.	How would you describe God's response to the foolishness of those who reject His wisdom? Who do you know personally who has rejected the gospel up to this point and how have you tried to plant seeds of the gospel in their life?
9.	How does Proverbs 1:33 compare to the promise made by Jesus in Matthew 11:28-29? How does placing trust in Christ for salvation serve as the first step toward heeding God's wisdom?
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10	.How can you help people avoid the destructive path of the foolish? What have you told, or can you tell others to encourage them to seek the cross of Christ?
11	.If you kept the cross at the forefront of your mind this week in everything you did, what specific things would be different in your life?
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