

The Problem with Knowledge

I Corinthians 1 | Week One | Participant Guide

Preparing for the Session

Read: I Corinthians 1

Memorize: “For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.” - I Cor. 1:25

Looking at the Text

1:1-3

The language Paul uses to describe his recipients makes it clear he is specifically talking to Christians. Why is this an important distinction to make?

1:13-17 Summarized

1:20-25

What makes the wisdom of the world foolish? How can secular scholars contribute to our body of knowledge?

What makes the cross a stumbling block to nonbelievers?

How is your discipline perspective different when seen through the gospel lens?

1:26-31

In light of this passage, how does God view the uneducated? What about those who define themselves by their knowledge?

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“The task of all Christian scholarship – not just biblical studies – is to study reality as a manifestation of God’s glory, to speak and write about it with accuracy, and to savor the beauty of God in it, and to make it serve the good of man. It is an abdication of scholarship when Christians do academic work with little reference to God.”

– John Piper, *Think*