



# discipleship LIFE NOTES



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**The Wisdom of God**  
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## **Key Scripture/s**

1 Corinthians 1:22-24

1 Corinthians 2:4 “and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power.” (NASB)

1 Corinthians 11:1 “Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ”

1 Corinthians 4:19-21 But I will come to you soon, if the Lord wills, and I shall find out, not the words of those who are arrogant but their power. For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power. What do you desire? Shall I come to you with a rod, or with love and a spirit of gentleness?

1 Corinthians 2:6-10 ‘speak words of wisdom’

1 Corinthians 2:12-14 ‘spiritual thoughts with spiritual words’

Paul said in Galatians 2:20 “I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I (mans wisdom) who live, but Christ (wisdom of God) lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.”

## **Key Thought/s**

READ: If Jesus is the wisdom of God and Jesus is the power of God, and the spirit of truth lives in us, then Christ’s life being demonstrated in and through us, the church, God’s people, is the wisdom of God

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Can we recognise 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 & 2:4 in Galatians 2:20?

I have been crucified with Christ - I preach Christ crucified

It is no longer I who live - the world through its wisdom didn't come to know God.

But Christ lives in me - Christ is the wisdom and the power of God

The life which I now live I live by faith in the Son - and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom but in the demonstration of the Spirit and of power.

## **Questions**

1. Thought: The wisdom of God is not what we know about God and our ability to articulate this, but Christ's life being demonstrated in and through our surrendered lives by His power.  
What are our thoughts in relation to this statement?
2. The word is to become life in us, because when it is, then His life will come through us.  
How much of this are we experiencing as His followers?
3. Why is it that only the mature hear the words of the spirit and the thoughts of the spirit?
4. How well are we hearing in the spirit?
5. If we are to measure ourselves by God's standard in relation to wisdom/maturity (being the demonstration of His life) then how do we fare and what may we need to do about that?

Take 5 minutes to write down what we all may need to do and then pray and encourage one another and hold one another in love, to see and believe God bring this work to pass.

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