

Sermon Notes for September 22, 2019

## TWO VIEWS OF WISDOM – 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25

### SERIES: WALKING IN WISDOM

<sup>8</sup> "For My thoughts *are* not your thoughts, Nor *are* your ways My ways," says the LORD.

<sup>9</sup> "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts. **Isaiah 55:8-9 (NKJV)**

### Two Views of Wisdom:

- \_\_\_\_\_ grounded in man's fallen nature
- \_\_\_\_\_ based on one's new nature given at spiritual birth

### The Foundation for Walking Wisely

<sup>10</sup> To be wise you must first have reverence for the LORD. If you know the Holy One, you have understanding. <sup>11</sup> Wisdom will add years to your life. **Proverbs 9:10-11 (TEV)**

<sup>26</sup> He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, But whoever walks wisely will be delivered. **Proverbs 28:26 (NKJV)**

### Four Main Errors of Earthly Wisdom

1. It is limited to the \_\_\_\_\_ of man.
2. It is based on what can be \_\_\_\_\_ by the human senses
3. It is doing what mankind defines as \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
4. It is doing "*whatever works.*"

### God's Wisdom:

- **Man's Knowledge Is \_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>5</sup> Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth. **Proverbs 4:5 (NKJV)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Beyond the Five Senses**

<sup>16</sup> And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever-- <sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

**John 14:16-17 (NKJV)**

- **God's Way Is \_\_\_\_\_ Than Man's Way**

<sup>18</sup> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup> For it is written: "*I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.*"

**1 Corinthians 1:18-19 (NKJV)**

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. **John 3:16 (NKJV)**

- **God's Way \_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. **James 3:17 (NKJV)**

<sup>16</sup> For all that *is* in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life-- is not of the Father but is of the world. <sup>17</sup> And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever. **1 John 2:16-17 (NKJV)**

### We Must Choose God's Wisdom ...

#### Continually Ask:

- Is this a wise \_\_\_\_\_?
- Is this a wise use of my \_\_\_\_\_?
- Is this a wise action to take in a \_\_\_\_\_?
- Is this a wise way to \_\_\_\_\_ the purpose God has for my life?

<sup>7</sup> The reverent *and* worshipful fear of the Lord is the beginning *and* the principal *and* choice part of knowledge [its starting point and its essence]; but fools despise skillful *and* godly Wisdom, instruction, *and* discipline. **Proverbs 1:7 (AMP)**