

House Church Study Questions
Based on the SAC Sermon on August 9, 2020

Sermon: A Life of Wisdom 2
Text: 1 Corinthians 1:20-25

Gathering Guidelines

-Watch Pastor Brian's intro video for this week.

Take some time to worship

Play a worship song. Pray to Jesus. Be in His presence.

Read 1 Corinthians 1:20-25

Discussion Questions

- 1. Imagine that you are at work and you have a very important task that you need to accomplish but you are stuck. You have tried and tried to come up with an answer but you just can't seem to make headway. Then the idea pops into your head: "Maybe Jesus could help me?"**

1 Corinthians 1:24 says that to the children of God Jesus is the 'power of God and the wisdom of God.'

Do you think that Jesus wants to be your wisdom when you are stumped at work? And how do you think He might help you?

- 2. Read verse 21 and pay attention to how wisdom and relationship are connected. Wisdom of the world does not know God. But the wisdom of God leads to salvation/relationship with Jesus.**

This might be a tough question but I want you to really try and think it through: how is relationship important to wisdom? And how is relationship with Jesus important for *me* to live wisely in every area of my life?

- 3. Everyone likes to look smart to others. If we get serious about seeking after Jesus as our primary source of wisdom in life, and get serious about**

living that out, how might my friends, family, neighbours and co-workers feel about that?

4. James 3:17 says that God's wisdom is first of all pure. To live in God's wisdom is to live in purity. This is way more than just avoiding things like pornography or gossip.

Purity is living apart from everything that is not of God. One way we can live in this purity is to praise the things that are true of God.

Read 1 Corinthians 1:24-25. What things do you see here that come from God that encourage you and that you would want to praise God for?

5. Read 1 Corinthians 1:30.
Consider this: Jesus is God's wisdom to us. And wisdom consists of righteousness, holiness and redemption.
Righteousness means that through Jesus we are able to live, think, feel, act and choose right things, God things. And this is true all day every day.
Holiness means that we have been made pure, and this purity aligns us with God's character.
Redemption means that we belong in God's family. We have a home in Him.

How do you imagine these things affect our ability to live in wisdom?

Invitation and Mission for this week

This week start each day by asking Jesus to be your wisdom for that day. Ask Him to remind you that when you are challenged with something in life that you can't seem to find a way past, that you should talk to Him about it and glean from His wisdom. And then pay attention to how He changes you as He answers you.

Pray for each other

Go around your circle and pray for the person on your left. Pray from the content of your discussions tonight and declare God's truth/blessing over the person next to you. Everyone is invited to pray. Everyone is invited to receive prayer.