

**AND YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT PROBLEMS**  
**A Study of First Corinthians**

**NOT OF THIS WORLD**

1 Corinthians 2:6-16      Jeff Schreve

*... so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God. Yet we do speak wisdom among those who are mature; a wisdom, however, not of this age nor of the rulers of this age, who are passing away. 1 Corinthians 2:5-6*

**Is there any wisdom associated with Christianity?**

**1. God is infinitely wise.**

*Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!  
Romans 11:33*

**A. God's wisdom cannot be understood with man's wisdom.**

*For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not come to know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.  
1 Corinthians 1:21*

**B. God's wisdom is a sacred secret that is revealed to us.**

*but we speak God's wisdom in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God predestined before the ages to our glory; the wisdom which none of the rulers of this age has understood; for if they had understood it they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 1 Corinthians 2:7-8*

**2. God has given Christians His Spirit to understand Him.**

**A. The Holy Spirit indwells believers.**

*Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God ... 1 Corinthians 2:12*

**B. The Holy Spirit teaches believers.**

1. He inspired the Word of God.

*...men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God. 2 Peter 1:21*

2. He illumines the Word of God.

C. The Holy Spirit makes sense to believers.

*But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.*

*1 Corinthians 2:14*

**Will you accept the challenge to grow in the Spirit?**