

10. The world views the message of the cross as what?
11. Some people in our world who consider the message of the cross foolishness reveal their attitudes by the way they do what?
12. What are some ways that skeptics and scoffers of the world attack the message of the cross?
13. What is the second way that some people manifest the fact that they consider the message of the cross foolishness?
14. Because the vast majority of people in the world believe the message of the cross to be foolishness, people of God sometimes feel the pressure to do what?
15. What is Paul saying about himself in I Corinthians 2:1?
16. Does verse 2 mean that Paul only preached evangelistic messages? If not, what is he saying?
17. Paul refused to mix the message of the gospel with what?
18. Have you “bought into” the diluted teaching in much of Christianity today that dilutes the Word of God with human wisdom, philosophy, psychology, self-help theories, etc.?
19. What did Paul avoid at all costs?
20. Paul not only avoided a worldly message, he avoided what?
21. What do so many “seeker” churches fail to realize?
22. When Paul came to Corinth, what was in his heart?
23. How was Paul doing physically when he came to Corinth?
24. How do we explain the difference between what Paul says here in I Corinthians 2:4 and what we saw in Acts 18?
25. Paul was a proclaimer of truth, not a what?
26. Paul wanted the results of his ministry to come from what?
27. What are some ways that some people try to get decisions for Christ today?
28. Have you fallen for the mistake that persuasive words of human wisdom or techniques of human methodology are the same as a demonstration of the Spirit and of power?
29. What is the danger of using human means and methods to get people to make some kind of decision or to get certain results?
30. Would Paul agree with many churches and church leaders today?
31. Paul didn’t want people to trust in what?
32. Why did Paul tell the Corinthian believers that he was with them “...in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling...”?

33. It is wrong to back away from the message of the cross, just because the vast majority of people consider it what?

34. It is wrong to mix the message of the gospel with what?

35. It is imperative that we stay true to the what?

36. What are some things that we, as a church family, must avoid at all costs, when it comes to sharing Christ with others?

37. Does your faith rest on the wisdom of men or in the power of God?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »>How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »>How can I accomplish this change?
- »>What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Week:

- 1) **Read I Corinthians 1-2 through at least once this week.**
- 2) **Give some thought to how we got our Bible. Who were the different authors? What did they do for a living? From where was the Bible written?**
- 3) **What does it take to be able to truly understand the Bible? Why do some people not understand the Bible?**
- 4) **If a person says, "I tried to read the Bible but I couldn't understand it, so I quit..." it might be an indicator of what?**

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FAITH IN THE POWER OF GOD

I Corinthians 2:1-5

(Series #8)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "**Faith In The Power of God**". All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Do you view Paul like most Christians think of him?
2. When Paul came to Corinth, he determined that he was going to preach what?
3. Why is the message of the cross full of power?
4. What are some things that happened to Paul prior to arriving at Corinth?
5. The Lord personally appeared to Paul to grant him what?
6. Even before the Lord appeared to Paul, Paul was doing what?
7. Starting back in chapter 1, Paul has been contrasting what?
8. One of the things which keeps people from embracing the gospel is that it seems so what?
9. How do many people demonstrate that they think they are smarter than God?

****To help protect the quality of recording the sermon, we ask that you quietly turn to the inside of this study guide. Thank you! We appreciate your help.**