I Corinthians 2

***Paul’s Message of Wisdom…***

* **Paul’s message of good news emphases the** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **of Christ.** (2:1-5)
* Paul reminded the Corinthians of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he took with them. (vs. 1-2)
  + He did not come to Corinth to glorify himself or to start a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ club. He came to glorify God.
  + The philosophers depended on their “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to gain followers.
  + Too many preachers and churches promote \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so much so that they fail to reveal Jesus Christ.
  + Paul glorified the cross of Christ and made it the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of his message. (Gal. 6:14)
* Paul also reminds the Corinthians of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he came with. (vs. 3-4)
  + Though he was an apostle, Paul came to them as a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + His life was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the glory of God not a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* He reminded them of his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (v. 5)

* **The gospel is part of the God’s** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **plan.** (2:6-9)
* The wisdom of God challenges the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the world.
  + The wisdom of God has been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a time. (vs. 7)
  + This wisdom is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by God. (vs. 7)
  + This wisdom results in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God’s people. (vs. 7)
  + This wisdom is hidden from those who refuse to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christ. (vs. 8)
* This wisdom applies to the believer’s life today. (v. 9)
* **The gospel is revealed by the spirit through the word.** (2:10-16)
* Salvation involves all three persons in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Eph. 1:3-14; 1 Peter 1:2)
  + No one can be saved apart from the Father’s grace, the Son’s sacrifice, and the Spirit’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The Spirit searches. (vs. 10-11)
* The Holy Spirit knows the deep things of God and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them to us.
* The Spirit lives in all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 12)
* The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all true believers. (v. 13)
* The Spirit grows the believer. (vs. 14-16)
* The spiritually blind “walk by sight” and really see \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* With the Spirit’s help the maturing Christian grows in his spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and develops the ability to understand more and more of the will and mind of God.

**So What Now?**

* Make time every day to read the Word and meditate on it.
* Seek the “mind of Christ” and His wisdom.
* Cooperate with the Spirit’s work.