1 Corinthians 2 • Two Kinds of Wisdom

1. (v.1-8) The Gospel and the Mystery

	1. The Gospel (v.1-5)
		1. Not man-**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**, but God-**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. (v.1)
		2. Wholly focused on the work of the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. (v.2)
		3. Presented in **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** fear and humility. (v.3)
		4. Not framed by man’s polished standards of **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** but genuine spiritual **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. (v.4)
		5. Not **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** by men, but Christ. (v.5)
	2. The Mystery (v.6-8)
		1. The “*wisdom of men*” must not **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** the Gospel; “*God’s wisdom*” is taught **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** the Gospel is received.
		2. A biblical “mystery” is truth revealed by the Holy Spirit only to those in God’s **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
		3. It can only be understood through the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**which can only come through the message of the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** and the work of the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
		4. Paul elaborates on the details of this “mystery” in Ephesians 2-3.
2. (v.9-13) The “**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** *of this world*” and the “**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** *of God*”

	1. The wisdom of the spirit of this world led men to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Christ originally and caused them to repeatedly **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Him ever since.
	2. The wisdom of the Spirit of God is revealed through **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Believers to whom the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** is revealed.
3. (v.14-16) The **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** man and the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** man.

	1. The natural man “*does not accept the things of the Spirit*” because they have not accepted the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** and therefore fundamentally reject God’s **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
	2. The spiritual man is able to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** all things by the Spirit because embracing God’s **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** produces in them “*the mind of Christ*”.
	3. The first message initiates **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**; the second message completes the work of **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.
4. Overall Application

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| ***The Wisdom of This World*** | ***The Wisdom of God*** |
| A wisdom of words (1:7; 2:4) | A wisdom of power, not words alone (2:4-5) |
| Man’s words (2:4) | The Spirit’s words (2:13) |
| The spirit of the world (2:12) | The Spirit of God (2:14) |
| Foolishness to God (1:20) | Foolishness to men (2:14) |
| The philosopher (1:20) | The preacher (1:31; 2:4) |
| Ignorance (1:21) | Knowledge of God (2:12) |
| Leads to condemnation (1:18) | Leads to glory (1:18; 2:7) |

The way someone handles Scripture reveals whether or not they have actually received the requisite “first” message of the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. God’s wisdom is not present where there is no regenerate relationship established through the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.