

The Corinthian Letters, Lesson 6, 1st Corinthians 1:25-31, The Foolishness of God

☞ "The foolishness of God", does God have foolishness? Not anymore than God has "weakness." Paul is indulging in sarcasm here in order to demonstrate how bad off we are outside of Christ. How bad off are we? How foolish are we? In all our, so-called, wisdom, we can't find God! The Greatest Reality in the Universe.

1. God has always done things "foolishly."

- ✓ Having His Son born in Stinky stable, raised by two impoverished people, work His whole life as a manual laborer?, seems foolish to us. Noah builds an Ark to rescue his family and certain animals when it hasn't rained much less flooded. Abraham leaves his family and inheritance to go to a land that he's never seen, and God doesn't even tell him where it is? seems foolish! Moses with no money, no army, no clout, is supposed to go the most powerful man in the world and tell him to let his people go, and that was supposed to work? David verses Goliath, would you have bet on those odds? An orphan named Hadassah whose name was changed to Esther, what are her chances of being the savior for her entire race? Who would have stood up and said that that was a smart move of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to not bow down? Who would have sent the most important message of all time through people like the apostles or Saul of Tarsus?

2. God's M.O. has not changed, He still does things "foolishly."

- ✓ Walking with God requires nothing more than being able to say as Ezekiel said, "You know, Lord.," when asked if dry bones could live. Does it have to look like it's going to work out before you'll believe it? Does it have to make sense before you'll do it? Do all the numbers have to add up? Do your friends and family have to say that's a smart move or a wise decision before you'll do it?

Romans 14:43, "That which is not of faith is sin."
