

SCC Small Group Study
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The Wisdom of God
1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Getting Started:

1. As a group debate the following things or small group leaders free to come up with a fun debate topic that would work for your group. Is cranberry sauce a must have at Thanksgiving meals? What kind of girl scout cookie is the best? Does the toilet paper go under or over the roll?

Discussion Questions

1. Read through 1 Corinthians 1:18-31. What jumps out to you? Where do you have questions?
2. What do you think this passage means, "For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength?"
3. How does God's wisdom differ from the world's wisdom?
4. What are some examples in the Bible where God does something contrary to the world's wisdom?
5. What are some examples in our lives where God does something contrary to the world's wisdom?
6. While we need to be discerning, we also have to recognize the limitations of our intellect when following God. How do we strike a good balance between being discerning and trusting?
7. How does God acting differently than us show us that he's real?
8. Keith said that we won't always understand God, but we can always trust him. What do you think about that quote?
9. What's something about how God acts in your life that you don't understand?
10. How can you trust God in that?

11. Why do you think some people use the term blind faith to describe following God? How is trusting God not blind faith?
12. What does it look like to believe in God with our head, but not our heart? Or to put it another way, what does it mean to theoretically believe in God, but not practically believe in him? What are some examples you can think of?
13. Keith said that as humans we tend to place the focus on ourselves. Do you agree with him, why or why not?
14. What's one way you're going to place the focus more on God this week?