

1 Cor. 1:18-25

18. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are being destroyed. But to us – to those being saved – it is the power of God. 19. For it is written: “I will destroy the ‘wisdom’ of the wise, and I will invalidate the intelligence of the intelligent.” 20. Where is the wise man? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this world? Hasn’t God shown the ‘wisdom’ of this world to be foolish? 21. For, because in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom. God was pleased to save those who believe through the ‘foolishness’ of what is proclaimed. 22. Because Both Jews ask for signs and Greeks seek wisdom. 23. But we proclaim Christ having been crucified. This is a scandal to Jews, and it is foolishness to the Gentiles. 24. But to those that are called, both Jews and Greeks, it is Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25. Because the ‘foolishness’ of God is wiser than that of humans, and the ‘weakness’ of God is stronger than that of humans.