

The Message of the Cross; 1 Corinthians 1:18-21

I. What is the "Message of the Cross"?

1. The message of the cross is _____ to those who are spiritually lost. (v.18)
 - a. For believers the message of the cross is the _____ of _____.
2. Using 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 and John 3:16-17 briefly describe the message of the cross:

3. List 3 things we believe through faith:
 - (1) Genesis 1:31 _____
 - (2) Genesis 7:17 _____
 - (3) Matthew 1:18 _____
4. Because we believe the message of the cross we practice the following teachings of Jesus:
 - (1) Mark 12:30-31 _____
 - (2) Mark 10:29-30 _____
 - (3) John 14:1-6 _____

II. Worldly Wisdom vs. the Message

5. God will destroy the _____ of the wise. (v. 19)
 - a. God has made the _____ of the world look foolish. (v.20)
6. The world (our society) has begun to call _____ good and _____ evil. (Isaiah 5:20)
7. There is a generation that is _____ in its own eyes, yet is not washed from its
_____. (Proverbs 30:12)
8. There is a way that seems _____ to a man, but its end is the way of
_____. (Proverbs 14:12)

III. The Losers are Going to Win

9. The wise of the world will someday find themselves _____ in Hades just as the rich man of Luke 16:22-23.
10. What will happen to the one who loses his life for Christ's sake? (Matt. 10:39)

11. The foolishness of the message of the cross will _____ those who believe. (v. 21)