

The Crisis at Corinth – Lack of Clarity in the Message

When the World Invades the Church

1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5

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What happens when the world's philosophy invades the Pulpit?

- Our **preaching** loses its power
 - Our **pulpit** loses its purpose
 - Our **people** lose their souls
1. Why is the wisdom of the world so powerless?
 - a. Because worldly wisdom doesn't **provide answers** (1:19-20)
 - b. Because worldly wisdom doesn't **lead to God** (1:21)
 - c. Because worldly wisdom doesn't value **meekness** (1:26-29)
 2. Why is the preaching of the Cross so powerful?
 - a. By preaching the Cross of Christ our **souls are delivered** (1:18)
 - b. By preaching the Cross of Christ **true love is demonstrated** (1:23-24)
 - c. By preaching the Cross of Christ real life is **discovered**

[1Co 9:16](#) For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for necessity is laid upon me; yes, woe is me if I do not preach the gospel