

[SERMON NOTES]

[QUICK REVIEW]

Looking at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

[MY STORY]

What is your go-to ice cream order? (at Custard Cup, Culvers, Cold Stone, etc.)

Do you like a lot of toppings on your ice cream sundae or just a few?

[DIGGING DEEPER]

This weekend we talked about the power of the (simple & plain) Gospel. Sometimes, the most powerful mottos and resources come from what is simple. *What is a slogan that jumps to your mind?*

Throughout chapter 2, Paul was challenging the church in Corinth to not build their faith on the wisdom of men, but on the power of the simple Gospel. **Spend some time contrasting the wisdom of the world versus the wisdom of God and Scripture.**

Wisdom of the World

vs.

Wisdom of God & Scripture

One of the outcomes of building one's upon the wisdom of God and Scripture is a continual *maturity* in our faith. Throughout his epistles, Paul talks about the need for maturing in our faith. **Read the following passages and write out what you notice about maturing in one's faith:**

- **Ephesians 4:13**
- **1 Corinthians 14:20**
- **Philippians 3:15**

What would you say are signs and examples of someone who is maturing in their faith?

What would you say are signs or examples of someone who is not maturing in their faith?

At the end of chapter 2, Paul encourages the Corinthians to continue in their spiritual growth by "putting on the *mind* of Christ." This phrase talks about focusing on the things of Christ. **Read the following passage. Circle 2 phrases that you feel like you focus on well. Underline 2 things that you think you need to focus on more.**

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. (Philippians 4:8)

[WEEKLY READINGS]

Studies say that someone who reads their Bible 4 times or more a week improves their joy, happiness, contentment, and overall approval of their life. (1 Tim. 4:8-10,16; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). Below are 4 passages of Scripture this week to dive into to pull deeper on our weekend's message. We encourage you to take notes in your Bible, and ask yourself: *What does this teach me about God? Myself and others? And how do I follow Jesus better?*

Colossians 1

John 15

Matthew 22

Micah 6