



1 Corinthians 1:18-25 *"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent." <sup>20</sup>Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe...*

**1. The Message of the Cross Is Foolishness to \_\_\_\_\_**

- (a) The message of the cross has turned \_\_\_\_\_ into foolishness. (vs 19-21)
- (b) The message of the cross does not meet the \_\_\_\_\_ of most people, therefore they refuse to believe. (vs 22-23, Matthew 12:39, Deuteronomy 21:22-23)

**2. The Message of the Cross Is the Power of God \_\_\_\_\_**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (vs 24-25)

**APPLICATION:**

- The Message of the Cross \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Romans 1:16)
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 (1 Corinthians 18:31)

*...<sup>22</sup>For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men."*