The Holy Spirit, Lesson 9

THE HOLY SPIRIT REVEALS GOD’S WISDOM

1 Corinthians 2:1–16

Key Verse: 2:10

1. Note how the Corinthian people valued wisdom (1:19–20,22). In contrast, how did Paul describe the way he shared the gospel with them? (2:1–4) Why did he minister to them like that? (2:5; 1:17) What can we learn from him?
2. To whom did Paul speak a message of wisdom? (6a) How does God’s wisdom contrast with the wisdom of this age? (6b–7) What is the “mystery” of God’s wisdom? (Col1:26–27) From whom does God hide his wisdom? (1:20; Mt11:25) What foolish mistake did the rulers of this age make? (8)
3. Read verse 9. What are “the things God has prepared for those who love him”? (Mt25:34) Read verse 10a. What does it mean that God’s Spirit has “revealed” these things to us? (Eph1:17–18) How does this lead to maturity? (6a; 3:1)
4. Read verse 10b. What does it mean that the Spirit “searches all things”? Why is he uniquely qualified to reveal the deep things of God to us? (11) Why does God give us his Spirit? (12) How does the Spirit help us to teach others? (13)
5. How does a person without the Spirit respond to Spirit-inspired teaching? (14) How does Paul describe the person with the Spirit? (15) What is the ultimate goal of the Spirit revealing God’s wisdom to us? (16)