

This is the last verse we had last week. It says, *"For I resolve to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified."*

That's what he said. He said, I resolve to know nothing when I came to you. He came to the people in Corinth and he says, Listen, there's all kinds of things you can know, right? There are all kinds of things that you can know. I can know all kinds of philosophies. I can know all this. I could be pretty impressive. I could get up and be very entertaining for you and tell some good jokes and everybody's like, Yeah, that's great. Make some real philosophical argument. Oh, aha. That's not what he did.

He said, "I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified." And so, the question is this, how's come? How's come? Why? Why is it that Paul resolved to know nothing except Christ crucified? What's the reason? Here's the reason. Because the cross is where the answers to all of life's ultimate questions are answered. All of life's ultimate questions, the important questions, the questions that every person has to deal with and struggle with. All those answers are answered in the cross. They're not answered through human wisdom. They're not answered through Buddha. They're not answered through religion. They're not answered through any of that. They're answered in the cross. And so, when he comes to the Corinthians, he doesn't want them thinking that he's given them all kinds of philosophies.

He just starts talking about Jesus and he starts talking about the cross. Now, that doesn't mean that human wisdom is bad. Okay? So, I think maybe some folks thought that I was saying that human wisdom is bad. No, human wisdom is good if it stays in its lane. Okay? So, there are two kinds of wisdom we talked about. There's wisdom from above, which obviously when you have the perspective of God and you're looking down and you can see in the hearts of people and you created the universe, when you're God and you're looking down and you have that perspective, you're going to be right.

So, Godly wisdom is always right. Now, there's also human wisdom. There are philosophies. We think about stuff. We look at stuff. We figure stuff out. We are communicating and talking about things that we're able to see with our eyes. And we figure stuff out. We're smart. We're made in the image of God. And so, we have wisdom as well. We're not saying that that is bad wisdom, but when you try to add human wisdom to God's wisdom, it always corrupts it. So, you teach your kid to love Jesus and to follow Christ and what's right and wrong according to Scripture. And then they go off to college and human wisdom pours into them and it corrupts the true wisdom they already had.

So human wisdom isn't bad in itself. For instance, I'll tell you how wonderful my morning was. I woke up this morning, my wife. I'll tell you what, it doesn't get much better than this. My wife, I'm laying in bed and I'm waking up and there's my wife right next to me looking at me. Dustin. And I'm like, all right. All right. She's like laying right next to me as I wake up. I see this beautiful face and she goes, Dustin, there's water in the basement. I've known for about five minutes I wanted to let you sleep for another five minutes. I go, what do you mean there's water in the basement? She goes, well, it's like there's water in the basement. I said, okay, sweetie, I'll go down in a little bit. I get up and I go down. Sure enough, there's sewer in my basement. Right? Coming up those drains on the floor, it's kind of coming up from there. I don't know what's going on. Something's clogged in there. And now when I have to deal with that, that is a real earthly problem, isn't it? I'm talking very earthly because you know what's in that. It is about as earthly as it comes. And when I'm dealing with earthly wisdom, who are you going to call?

You're going to call the pastor? No. You don't want me playing with your poop, right? You don't want me doing that because I don't have that type of earthly human wisdom. I didn't go to Plumber School. I don't have a PhD in pipes. Right? I didn't do that. If my car goes bad, right? I need somebody that has human wisdom to deal with my car and fix my car because I don't know. They could tell me anything. Oh, it's the Smith rod that's broken. I'm like, I don't know. Sure, fix it. I don't know what's going on.

You need somebody that knows that stuff. That's human wisdom. People learn. They go to school. They do that. That is good. It's important. Go find those people. And here's the other thing. Don't go find somebody and say, well, I need to find a Christian Plumber. Why? Why do you need a Christian Plumber? Well, because they're going to glorify the Lord in what they're doing. What are you talking about? Find somebody that knows how to deal with pipes! You know how many times I've been screwed over by a mechanic in the name of Jesus? Christian mechanics sometimes end up being worse, because they think that because we're related, somehow I can charge you three times more. Oh, well, we're, it's in the Lord here. Let's just put a times three next to this.

There we go. No, find somebody. Find the best person to fix your toilet. Find the best person to fix it because they're dealing in earthly wisdom. But if you want to know about God, if you want to know the big issues of life, if you want to understand the ultimate questions, you want to understand about forgiveness and peace and hope, and you want to understand those, don't go to your plumber unless your plumber is getting his information from heaven. And how's he getting that information? He's getting it from God, right?

Human wisdom tries to explain the meaning of life, where man came from, mortality, how to have joy, how to have peace. And when they do, when human wisdom does that, it's a swing and a miss every time. They've been trying to answer those questions for thousands of years and they still have made no progress. And Jesus did it in one morning. Those answers cannot be discovered by man. They have to be discovered. Listen, they have to be revealed by God. Okay?

That's the key point here. For thousands of years, no human being has ever been able to look around and figure out the meaning of life just from rationalizing and looking around and doing that. Because we don't have the perspective. We're earthly. We're down here on the earth. We have limited minds. When it comes to things of God, when it comes to the creation of the universe and the purpose of people and how to have peace and joy, when it comes to that, the only way you will know that is God has to reveal it to you. He has to reveal it to us somehow.

We're not going to be able to just like go out and try to find it. So, look at verse three. It says, I came to you in weakness and with great fear and trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise or persuasive words. Because that would just be earthly wisdom. That would be just me expounding and doing that. I didn't come with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. So what Paul's saying, Paul's saying something important here. He's saying that people think the gospel of Christ is nonsense.

Remember I talked about this. Non-Christian people, you talk to them and you talk about the cross and you say that's the answer to life's problems and they think its butterfly driving a truck. It's ridiculous. It's nonsense. They don't understand it at all. But the truth is actually very simple. It's not this complex thing. They think it needs to be complex. They look at it. People in the world look and say, the big questions of life have to be answered with big ideas. The complicated things that I'm feeling in my heart and in my life must be answered with complicated ideas. And what God does is he comes down in his humanity and he says, the answer is the cross. It's something very, very simple.

Trust me. The man on the middle cross said you can come. God loves us sinners. And so, the non-Christian or the non-believer thinks that there's no wisdom in the cross. They look at it. You share with them. You go to McDonald's and you're talking really loud in McDonald's and they're listening to you. They'll do that guy's cuckoo for cocoa puffs. He's talking about the cross being the answer. They don't know what's going on. And you think, well, maybe it's not real wisdom.

Look at what it says here in verse six. We do, who's we? Christians. We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature. Now, who are the mature? We as us Christians, we speak a message of wisdom among the mature. When it's talking about the mature, it's talking about Christians. Because now we're talking about overall wisdom. What makes somebody mature? They're very wise. They're very wise in what they do. When you look at wisdom, people that don't know the wisdom of God, the ultimate wisdom that's been revealed, they are not mature because they don't accept true wisdom. So, they are not mature. They're immature as far as wisdom is concerned.

They may be mature in age, but they're immature when it comes to wisdom. Those who have accepted the wisdom of God, they've heard his revelation from Scripture, from preaching. They've heard what God has said. They've accepted it. Now they are believing the truth that God has. Therefore, they have true wisdom and are therefore considered wise. And they're considered mature. So watch what it says. Verse 6, "do we however speak a message of wisdom among the mature?" This is Christians.

He's contrasting believers and non-Christians here. "But not the wisdom of this age or the wisdom of the rulers of this age or the rulers of this age who are coming to nothing." So, even though the wisdom of rulers of this age think that the gospel is nonsense, it's like butterfly driving a truck. Paul says that God's wisdom is actually true wisdom. So, we as believers have to recognize that we consider wisdom to be different than what everybody else says. We don't have the same definition of what wisdom is that non-Christians have. They think that what we believe is nonsense. We look at some of the stuff they're putting out because they've figured it out from their own brain.

And we're comparing it to descriptions that're completely wrong on that. And we think that they're not wise. And Paul is telling us that the wisdom is in what God says. And so, it says wisdom of this age. Wisdom and rulers of what age? What age is he talking about? Is he talking about old people? No, he's talking about a time. When he talks about this age, he's talking about time. And he's talking about his age. The time when Paul was around, the rulers of his age, the people that were in charge, who was in charge? The Roman government, the Roman leaders, philosophers, Jewish leaders were in charge. They were explaining, you have to do this and this and this, so religion. That was a philosophy, the philosophy of the Greeks and the leaders of the government.

All of those people are the leaders he's talking about. And what it's saying is that they didn't accept the wisdom of Christ. How do I know that the Jews didn't accept the wisdom of God that came from above? How do I know that they didn't receive that? How do I know that the Jews didn't? That the leaders of the Roman government didn't? How do I know they didn't believe it? Because when the truth was laid in front of them, they crucified it. Okay? That make sense? When the truth was put in front of them, they said this is nonsense and they killed him.

And so, it says in John 18, if you were to look at, This is Pilate. I'll just bring this up. Pilate is there with Jesus and Jesus has been arrested and he's standing before him. And it says, *"then Pilate said to him, so are you a king? Jesus answered, you say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."*

Catch that? You want truth? You want wisdom? It's going to come from God. He's revealing it through his voice. *"Pilate said to him, what is truth? After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, I find no guilt in him."*

So, Pilate doesn't find any guilt in Jesus, but he crucifies him anywhere. Anyway, what is Paul's conviction? He has no conviction at all. He's just like whatever. It doesn't matter. Pilate is functioning outside of the wisdom of God. He doesn't have the wisdom of God. He's got earthly wisdom. He's got what the government is telling him. He's got what Jews are telling him. He's got what Greek gods are telling him. He's got all that. He doesn't have true wisdom. And so, Pilate is functioning on human wisdom, which has him questioning even that truth exists. I don't know how many of you have taken a philosophy class. High school, college? You start wondering if you exist. Like Descartes said, I think therefore I am. The reason I know that I exist is because I have thoughts. My eyes have deceived me, so I can't say I exist based on my eyes. I can't say that I exist based on my ears or my tongue or anything else. He rolls it all down. The only way I even know I exist is that I think. And there's a person coming up with all of this. That's where you get with human wisdom. Now, Descartes takes it and he turns Christian. He gets Christian stuff as a result, but he didn't arrive at that Christian stuff as a result of his human wisdom. He arrived at it from revelation. And then he uses human wisdom to explain and to help him to understand what it is.

So, why don't non-Christians see what Christians see? That's the question. Why don't they see it? Why is it that I can stand in front of you? You can stand in front of somebody in a room and you can start to tell them about Jesus. Start to tell them what the cross is about. You can read from Scripture, and they'll look at you like you're insane. One person sees you as insane. The other person over here is weeping and crying and is completely convicted and completely turned. Why is it that Christians and non-Christians respond so differently? Why is what's plain as daylight to a Christian is nonsense to the other believer? Look at verse 7. *"No, we declare God's wisdom a*

*mystery that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began.*" So, the reason why is because God has hidden this truth from us.

Man has been the truth of God has been hidden from all man because it's outside of where we live. It's outside of our nature. It's in the supernatural. The wisdom of God is with God in the supernatural. We can't naturally do it and so therefore it is hidden from us. The only people that can understand and believe God's wisdom are Christians because it's hidden from everybody else.

So, verse 8 says, So the proof that God's wisdom was hidden from the rulers of the age is that if they had God's wisdom, they wouldn't have crucified Jesus. They're clearly disconnected. You go around from day to day and you're like, this person is clearly disconnected from the truth of God. They don't accept it at all. They didn't understand God's plan, or they didn't recognize the Messiah because it was hidden from them. Now how is it hidden? That's the next question.

How is it hidden? Verse 9. *"However, it is written"*, So who understands and it's clear, those who love God, those who go, they understand it. They're able to see it. But why are the others not able to see it? And this verse is seriously misunderstood. You've probably heard this verse a million times.

This is the verse. It says, He's not talking about heaven at all. That's not what he's talking about. He's talking about wisdom that comes from God. He's saying, Okay. Why? And his way of dealing with it is that he reveals it to us. Right? So why can't they comprehend it? Because its comprehension is unavailable the way human wisdom acquires. And so, what does it say? It says, so your scientists, everybody that's a scientist makes rational decisions.

They're all basically based on observable things that they can see and not see. And then it's, *"and what no human mind has conceived."*

So, scientists, they go to the Grand Canyon and they look at the way things are and they say, Oh, this took billions of billions of years to carve. That's because that's what they're seeing with their eyes and that's what they're conceiving in their brain. They're coming up with that scenario as to what caused it. When the reality is, The Grand Canyon was created in probably a couple of hours during the flood. There were no mountains before that. Everything was erupted and went up. Mount Everest wasn't super high. Mount Everest was created at the flood. Water came out from everywhere and that's the explanation. That's why when you go to the top of Mount Everest, there are fossils of fish. That's why when you go to the top of the Grand Canyon, there are fossils of fish and sea creatures that you can see. It's a fissure.

Now you say, "Now wait, Dustin. If God's truth is hidden and can't be acquired by eyes and ears and human rationality, then how are you and I getting it? How are you and I receiving this truth? How is it that you and I can understand it if we can't do it in our natural self?" Verse 10, *"these are the things God has revealed to us by the Spirit."*

These are the things God has revealed to us by His Spirit. We know it because God revealed it. All religions are man trying to figure out God. They're all man trying to figure out God. Science, human nature. We say, you know what? We're going to, with our philosophies, try to find God. Here's the problem. God's not lost. God was never lost. You're not going to find God. God finds you. God finds people because there's no way you could ever find God.

Because rationally, in our eyes, with our eyes, we can never find God. If God is going to allow you to know Him, it's because God is going to reveal to us, say, you know what? I think it's time that they know who I am. And He reveals us in a lot of ways. He reveals us in His Son. He reveals us in His Word. He reveals it through prophets. He reveals in different ways that come through the Spirit of God. I mean, if God's worth worshiping, why would you think that some kind of earthly human mind could ever discover Him on His own?

The best you could come up with, with human brain, human mind, with your human brain, with your human elect, are the religions that we have on the earth. And they all say the same thing that you work really hard, because that's what we feel like we should do. You work really hard. You're good because good people should be rewarded. Bad people shouldn't. Bad people should be punished. Good people should be rewarded. That's what all religions

say. In some way, that's what it is. And somehow, I have to make up for it. That's not what God says. The gospel's completely different. It goes completely sideways to that, because we don't understand the holiness of God.

From down here, we don't understand that. God had to reveal to us how whole He was. He had to reveal to us our need for a Savior. He had to reveal to us that He was a just God that couldn't just say it was all right. He had to reveal to us that we couldn't atone for our own sin in any way.

We never came up with that on our own. And the reason that we know that is because the people that don't have the revelation of God, people who don't have the spirit in their life, people who don't understand God's word, they think it's nonsense. Because it is nonsense from a human perspective. If you're comparing it to other religions, and you're comparing it to the things that you see with your eyes, Christianity is completely crazy. It's nuts. Verse 11, here's what it says. *"For what knows a person, for who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them?"*

I mean, think about that for your personal relationship. Who really knows you? Okay? Who really knows you? You say, well, my husband knows me, or my wife knows me. Kind of. Like, I reveal a lot of who I am to my wife, but everything that my wife knows about me, I revealed to her. I told her about myself. Now, there are things that my wife doesn't know about me, and you're like, oh, no. There are things about you that you've never told anybody. They don't know that about you. Like, well, I can observe a little bit of what's going on and find out. Yeah, but you don't really know who I really am. You don't know really what my heart's about. You don't really know what I care. You don't know about things I created over here or things I did over there. You only know what you've researched, and that's which I have revealed for people to be able to know about who I am. It's the same with you. The only, and who, and if my wife says stuff about me, or if any of you say anything about me, who I am, that's actually a little suspect, because you only know it because I revealed it to you or you observed it with your eyes and you thought about it and made and came to a human conclusion about me.

It's the same with God. We know who God is because God wants us to know who he is. Now, man will make up all kinds of things about who he is and say, well, he's this, and he's not just, and it doesn't make sense. You know, if there's evil in the world, then he can't be a good God. I mean, they'll make up all this stuff, right? They'll figure this out, but it's because they don't really have all the information. They don't have what came from God. God reveals who he truly is and so watch what this says here.

This is important. *"For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them?"* Who better would know who God is than God? That's the point. Nobody knows who God is except God. He's the primary expert on God is God.

He knows stuff nobody else knows about. And what's the easiest way to know who God is? Ask. What's the easiest way to know about me? Ask me. So, I'll tell you. Not to go in a back room and conspire and say, well, I think because he did this, this is, this is who he is, and blah, blah, blah, blah, blah, blah, that's not how we figure out truth. We just ask and hope the person's telling the truth. You introduce yourself, say, hi, I'm so, so-and-so. And what do you want to know about me? Right? Because nobody knows me except for me. And so, it says here, it says, Paul says this about God in the same way, no one knows the thoughts of God except the spirit of God. Now back to verse 10, it said, the spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. So, the spirit of God, the Holy Spirit knows everything there is to know about God for a couple reasons.

One, because he is God, but also it says he searches every corner of the Trinity. He knows all about God, everything there is. And so, he knows who God is. He understands it all. And the spirit understands God because he is God. So, verse 12, *"what we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us."*

So, God has given every believer, when you become a believer, God gives every believer the Holy Spirit. Who's the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is God comes into you with his holy wisdom, with his heavenly wisdom, with his wisdom from above. He comes into you, inhabits you. The Holy Spirit comes in. And now you have one in you that knows everything there is about God, because he searched all the corners of the Trinity, all of who God is. He understands all that. And now he's going to help you to understand God.

And you say, "well, Dustin, are you sure all Christians have the Holy Spirit? Because I went to this one church and they told me that I was saved, but I didn't have the Holy Spirit because I didn't speak in tongues." Well, let me read some scripture for you. It says this in John 7, verse 37, and it says, *"on the last and greatest day of the festival,"* Jesus had a really big festival. *"Jesus stood and said in the loud voice, let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink, whoever believes in me, as scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from him."*

Who is the living water flowing from? Anyone who believes in me. By this, he meant, in other words, what's He mean when he says rivers of flowing water? What are rivers of flowing water that are in everybody who believes? *"By this, he meant the Spirit whom those who believed in him were later to receive."*

So, when they were talking here, they hadn't received it yet. They hadn't been in Pentecost. They hadn't gone into the upper room and then the tongues of fire came on. But all of us, we receive it right when we get saved.

And who receives the Holy Spirit? Those who believed in him. In what form? So, what form did we receive this? What does this look like? What kind of package is the Holy Spirit in? This is what it says. It says, *"this is what we speak."* Who's we? The apostles. When it talks about "we", who is "we"? It's the apostles. It's talking about the people that walked with Jesus, John, Matthew, Paul, I mean all these people, right? He says, we, this is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom. So, what they know about God, they didn't get from just rationalizing and looking around. That's not how they learned about God. Not in words taught by human wisdom, but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit taught words.

So, what happens? The apostles walked with Jesus. They were walking around with Jesus. Paul had a vision from Jesus. They now are going to write down what they saw. Now, initially when they were with Jesus, they didn't understand a lot, did they? Weren't they kind of like, man, I don't know what's going on. Like Jesus is doing this and I'm like, why is he doing this? Why is he not making an army? Why isn't he doing this? When he said that, that didn't make any sense. After Jesus is resurrected, what happens? Jesus is resurrected and they go into that room, they receive the Spirit and now all of a sudden, they understand all the things that God did and taught them when he was with them.

All of a sudden, the resurrection makes sense. To who? The apostles. To Matthew, to Mark. To John. The Thaddeus. To these apostles. All of a sudden, it makes sense. Why? Because they have received the Holy Spirit because God wants to have them write the Scriptures out and he wants it to all be perfect. And so now they understand it and God inspires them to write down the things that they saw, to write down the things and explain things in letters. While they're there, he writes 1 Corinthians, he writes Galatians, he writes, they write 1 and 2 Peter, they write all these epistles, and all those things are inspired by God because the Holy Spirit is in those writers helping them so that every word is going to be just right. That every word and so then we can say in 2 Timothy 3.16, it says that all Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. All Scripture, every single word from God and the apostles received it, they understood it by the Holy Spirit and they wrote it. They didn't understand it before they received the Holy Spirit. That's clear because they were like, I don't know what's going on.

They're running away. They're about to be crucified and they're freaking out. Jesus is denying Jesus all kinds of stuff. It's different after they receive the Holy Spirit. Verse 26, it says this, this is in John 14. *"Before Jesus was crucified, Jesus was talking to the disciples. He said this, but the advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."*

Who is he talking to? He's in the upper room. He's having the Lord separate just his disciples. He's telling them, this is what's going to happen. The Holy Spirit is going to come on you and you're going to remember the stuff I did and you're going to understand it all. And then you're going to be able to pass that on and write it and tell people what's going on. So, God's wisdom comes to us by the Spirit revealed to the apostles who God spoke to and wrote what God revealed and every word of it is from God. Verse 14, it says, the person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, but considers them foolishness and cannot understand them because why can't they understand it? Because they are discerned only through the Spirit. The spiritual things of God can't be understood unless you have the Holy Spirit. And you receive the Holy Spirit when you become saved.

All of a sudden you have grace enough to understand what God is doing. The reason unbelievers don't understand except God's wisdom is that they don't have the Spirit in them to enable them to understand it. And so, you don't go around blaming those people and say, well, why can't you understand?

I'm going to put together a really good argument and then you're going to be convinced that doesn't work because they won't understand until the Spirit of God is there to help them to understand it and then it will work because your arguments are all going to be earthly human arguments. I hope I'm making sense here. This is a very complicated thing. It says in verse 15, it says, *"the person with the Spirit makes judgments about all things, but such a person is not subject to mere human judgments."*

Now, why is the person who has the word of God not subject to human judgments? Because they have a wisdom that is above what the earthly people have figured out. It's coming from God and earthly wisdom is superseded by godly wisdom because God's always right and people are a lot of times wrong. It says, for who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him, right? They don't understand it because they don't know the mind of the Lord. You and I don't naturally know the mind of the Lord.

We don't know the mind of the Lord until the one who has searched the whole mind of God comes into us in the person of the Holy Spirit and explains to us the mind of God. So, judgment here is like determining what is true. And this is saying that believers with the Spirit of the Word make decisions based on God's Word because God's Word is truth that supersedes earthly wisdom. And that's because it comes from God, the one who knows us.

So, here's the question. Do you live according to the wisdom of God? That's the final question. Do you live according to the wisdom of God? In your relationships, are you functioning and making decisions? It's talking about decisions. Do you make your decisions based on wisdom of man? Well, everybody else said this is okay to do. Everybody else says this is all right. My own spirit says this is fine to do. I don't feel bad about it. Are you making the decisions in your life based on earthly wisdom? Or are you making the decisions based on the Spirit of God that came into you and what God's Word says and you're reconciling them and saying, God's Word is saying that I should not do this. I should not live this way. I should not act in this particular way. I shouldn't say this. I shouldn't, the Spirit of God, I've read God's Word and the Spirit is confirming and explained to me that I shouldn't live this way. Are you living according to the wisdom of the earth?

The wisdom from below or from the wisdom of above? What about in your morals? You're determining what is morally right and morally wrong and you're reading about it on Facebook. This is morally right. This is morally wrong. Well, wait a second. Don't get your morals from what everybody is saying. What does God say is morally right and morally wrong? Because God knows the truth and it supersedes your earthly ideas and then are you living according to that? And many people say, well, the Spirit's telling me this. Yeah, but you haven't even read Scripture. Read some Scripture and then the Spirit will interact with Scripture in your heart and you'll be convicted and you'll know. What about in your relationship with God?

Now, if you're just going to go by earthly wisdom, you'll come up with a different religion besides Christianity. What about whether you're worried about something? Like whether you can't show up to church because you got poop in your basement, right? We'll fix it later. God's supreme over that. It doesn't matter. All right. We'll just put on some boots and take care of business. Why do I need to worry? God is in charge of it all. It's all right. We'll just trust Him. Well, how do you know that, Dustin? Because the Word of God says so and the Spirit testifies. God, the Holy Spirit that searched all of the wisdom of God, testifies to me and now I understand the Spirit and that's why. Does that make sense?

What you depend on. Here's what it says. This is the last lesson. It says, but we, you and I, have the mind of Christ. We have the mind of Christ inhabiting us. Do not take the mind of Christ that you have and with all of its truth, push it off to the side and say, you know what? I'd rather listen to Julian Penny. I'd rather listen to just Dustin. I'd rather just listen to Katie. You know? Well, I'll listen to you, but is what you're getting from the, from, from Scripture? Is it coming from the Holy Spirit? Can I look at it and it be confirmed within my own heart? Because I have the Holy Spirit too. What God reveals is always true in everything. Anything that the world tells you that differs from that's a lie. It's a lie.

It is according to what we read. It is earthly. It is unspiritual. And what we said last week is it is demonic. Anything that is contrary to what God says is demonic. It is a lie. So, hold and live the truth revealed to you by God through his spirit. That's what he's talking about. He's saying to this church, you've got a lot of problems. If you're going to fix these problems you got in your church, it's going to be because you've listened to the wisdom that comes from above and stop listening to all this wisdom that's down here. That's what's got you messed up.

God, I thank you for your word. Thank you for your spirit. God, I pray that you would help us to live according to your spirit. When we say live according to your spirit, we're saying live according to the God, the third person of the Trinity that lives within us that shows us what is right and wrong as it interacts with the word of God in our life. God, lead us and direct us. We pray it in Jesus' name. Amen.