

## What's ~~Wrong~~/RIGHT with the Church, Part 3

### The Power of God's Foolishness

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

#### Review: When Quarrels and Cliques Come to Church (1:10-17)

Schisms **destroy** the **body** and **gut** the **gospel**

#### The word of the cross and the wisdom of God

*For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. (v 18)*

How is the word of the cross the wisdom of God?

#### God's wisdom looks like \_\_\_\_\_ to many (1:18-25)

Thesis (v 18)

Contrast

Scriptural Support (v 19; cf Isa. 29:14b)

Historical Support (vs 20-25)

Principle

Jews

Greeks

Believers

#### God's design in His wise and powerful foolishness (1:26-31)

We recognize our \_\_\_\_\_ and His **supremacy**.

2 Kings 7 – lessons from the 4 lepers

The one who thinks he is wise apart from Christ has a rude awakening coming.

#### Proclamation of the cross does not guarantee receptivity (1:18,23-24)

Our job is not to \_\_\_\_\_! We SAVOR and \_\_\_\_\_.

Wrong / Right

#### Take it home

How do **you** respond to the power of God's foolishness?