

WISDOM OF THIS WORLD

(1Cor. 3:19)

1 Cor 3:16-23

16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

19 For the **wisdom** of this **world** is **foolishness** with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.

20 And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.

21 Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours;

22 Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours;

23 And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.(KJV)

1 Cor 3:18

18 **Let no man deceive himself.** If any man among you (1)**seemeth** to be (2)**wise** in this (3)**world**, let him become a (4)**fool**, that he may be wise.(KJV)

Definitions:

(1) (**Seemeth**) 1380 dokeo- 1) to be of opinion, to think, to suppose, 2) to seem, to be accounted, to be reputed, 3) it seems to me, a) I think, judge: thus in question, b) it seems good to, it pleased me, I determined

(2) (**Wise**) 4680 sophos- wise: a) **skilled, expert:** of artificers b) **wise, skilled in letters, cultivated, learned,** 1) **used of the Greek philosophers and orators**

(3) (**World**) 165 aion- the worlds, the universe, 3) a period of time, an age

(4) (**Fool**) 3474 moros (mo-ros'); probably from the base of 3466; **dull or stupid (as if shut up)**, i.e. **heedless**, (morally) **blockhead**, (apparently) **absurd:** KJV-- fool (-ish, X -ishness).

1 Cor 3:18 ... deceive himself. (KJV)

1 Cor 15:33-34

33 Be **not deceived: evil communications** corrupt good manners.

34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.(KJV)

Gal 6:2-3

2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, **he deceiveth himself.** (KJV)

Eph 5:6-7

6 Let **no man deceive you with vain words**: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.

7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.(KJV)

2 Tim 3:10-17

10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,

11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.

12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, **deceiving, and being deceived**.

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That **the man of God** may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.(KJV)

Titus 3:3

3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, **deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures**, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.(KJV)

James 1:21-22

21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and **receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls**.

22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, **deceiving your own selves**.(KJV)

I Jn 1:5-10

5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that **God is light, and in him is no darkness at all**.

6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and **walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth**:

7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.(KJV)

1 Cor 3:18 ... If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, (KJV)

Eccl 1:12-14

12 I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.

13 And I gave my heart (mind) to **seek and search out by wisdom concerning all things that are done under heaven**: this **sore travail** hath God given to **the sons of man** to be

exercised therewith.

14 I have seen **all the works that are done under the sun**; and, behold, **all is vanity and vexation of spirit.**(KJV)

Eccl 1:16-18

16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, **I am come to great estate**, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.

17 And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.

18 For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.(KJV)

Eccl 12:7-14

7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

8 **Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity.**

9 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.

10 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and **that which was written was upright, even words of truth.**

11 The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.

12 And further, **by these**, my son, **be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.**

13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: **Fear God**, and **keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.**

14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.(KJV)

Rom 12:16

16 Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. (KJV)

Rom 16:19

19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and **(1)simple** concerning **(2)evil.** (KJV)

Definitions: (1) (Simple)185 akeraios- 1) unmixed, **pure** (as in wines or metals) 2) **used of the mind, without a mixture of evil, free from guile**, innocent, **simple.** **(2) (Evil) 2556** kakos (kak-os'); apparently a primary word; worthless (intrinsically, such; whereas 4190 properly refers to effects), i.e. (subjectively) depraved, or (objectively) **injurious**: KJV-- bad, evil, harm, ill, **noisome, wicked.**

Rom 16:27

27 **To God only wise**, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen. (KJV)

1 Cor 1:19

19 For it is written, I will destroy the **(1)wisdom** of the **(2)wise**, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the **(3)prudent**. (KJV)

Definitions: (1)(Wisdom)⁴⁶⁷⁸ sophia-wisdom, broad and full of intelligence; used of the knowledge of very diverse matters: a) the wisdom which belongs to men, the science and learning. **(2)Wise**-⁴⁶⁸⁰ sophos-wise: a) skilled, expert: of artificers b) wise, skilled in letters, cultivated, learned 1) used of the Greek philosophers and orators 2) used of Jewish theologians **(3)(Prudent)** ⁴⁹⁰⁸ sunetos- **intelligent**, having understanding, **wise, learned**

1 Cor 1:20

20 Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? **hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?** (KJV)

1 Cor 1:26-27

26 For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called:

27 But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; (KJV)

1 Cor 3:18-20 - (A REMINDER)

18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.

20 And again, **The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.** (KJV)

2 Cor 10:12

12 For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

2 Cor 10:17-18

17 But he that glorieth, **let him glory in the Lord.**

18 For **not he that commendeth himself is approved**, but **whom the Lord commendeth.** (KJV)

Eph 5:14-17

14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

15 See then that ye walk ***circumspectly**, not as fools, but as wise,

16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

Definitions: *circumspectly¹⁹⁹ akribos (ak-ree-boce');adverb from the same as 196; **exactly:** KJV-- **circumspectly**, diligently, **perfect (-ly)**.exactly, **accurately**, diligently

James 3:13

13 Who is a wise man and **(1)endued** with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with **(2)meekness** of wisdom.(KJV)

Definitions: (1)Endued-1990 epistemon (ep-ee-stay'-mone); from 1987; **intelligent:** KJV-- endued with knowledge, **intelligent**, experienced, **one having the knowledge of an expert** **(2)Meekness**-4240 prautes (prah-oo'-tace); from 4239; **mildness**, i.e. (by implication) **humility:** KJV-- meekness.

1 Cor 3:18 ... additional scriptures (KJV)

Matt 6:22-24

22 **The light of the body is the eye:** if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, **how great is that darkness!**

24 **No man can serve two masters:** for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. **Ye cannot serve God and mammon.**(KJV)

Matt 11:25

25 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.(KJV)

Acts 17:18

18 Then certain **philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks**, encountered him. And some said, What will this babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.(KJV)

Rom 12:1-2

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And **be not conformed to this world:** but be **ye transformed by the renewing of your mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.(KJV)

Col 2:7-8

7 **Rooted and built up in him**, and **stablished in the faith**, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.(KJV)

1 Tim 6:4-12

4 He is **proud**, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

5 **Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing**

that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

6 **But godliness with contentment is great gain.**

7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

8 **And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.**

9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

11 **But thou, O man of God, flee these things;** and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.(KJV)

1 Cor 2:1-6

1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, **came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom,** declaring unto you the testimony of God.

2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:(KJV)

2 Cor 11:6

6 But though I be ***rude** in speech, yet not in knowledge; but we have been thoroughly made manifest among you in all things.

Definitions: ***rude**-2399 idiotēs-4) in the New Testament, an unlearned, illiterate man as opposed to the learned and educated: one who is unskilled in any art

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Prov 24:9

9 **The thought of foolishness is sin:** and the scorner is an abomination to men.(KJV)

Mark 7:22-23

22 Thefts, covetousness, **wickedness**, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, **blasphemy**, **pride**, **foolishness**:

23 **All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.**(KJV)

Matt 24:1-3

1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?(KJV)

Mark 13:1-2

1 And as he went out of the temple, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, see what manner of stones and what buildings are here!

2 And Jesus answering said unto him, Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.(KJV)

Eph 6:4

4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the **(1)nurture** and **(2)admonition of the Lord**.(KJV)

Definitions:**(1)Nurture**-3809 paideia (pahee-di'-ah); from 3811; **tutorage, i.e. education or training**; by implication, **disciplinary correction**: KJV-- chastening, **chastisement**, instruction, nurture.from 3816; **to train up a child**, i.e. educate, or (by implication) **discipline (by punishment)**: KJV-- chasten (-ise), instruct, learn, teach. **(2)Admonition**-3559 nouthesia (noo-thes-ee'-ah); from 3563 and a derivative of 5087; **calling attention to**, i.e. (by implication) **mild rebuke or warning**: KJV-- admonition.