

## God's Testimony - The Cross of Christ ... *1Corinthians 2:1-16*

*"Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth."*

*...Proverbs 4:5 (NKJV)*

### 1. The Foolishness of God's testimony; The Man on the Middle Cross...

Scripture... *1Corinthians 2:1-2*

- Preach Christ and Christ Crucified!

### 2. Fearing the world...

Scripture... *1Corinthians 2:3-5*

- Spiritually weak (Astheneia)
- Fear the World or Fear the Lord (Phobos)
- Trembling (Tromos)
- Demonstrating Faith

### 3. The Holy Spirit gives us the Wisdom to Understand His Word

Scripture... *1Corinthians 2:6-9*

- Hidden wisdom is foolishness to the world
- Wisdom for those who Love Him: Pray, Study, and Fellowship

### 4. The Spirit received...

Scripture... *1Corinthians 2:10-12*

### 5. Worldly wisdom (foolishness) vs Spiritual wisdom...

Scripture... *1Corinthians 2:13-16*

- *Our families and the casualties of war...LEAD YOUR FAMILIES!*
- *Worldly wisdom inspired by the spirit of the Antichrist or the mind of Christ*

# Group Discussion

1. What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ...*be descriptive!*
2. Since we know that the Lord is with us, how can we focus on sharing the Gospel with others and not be fearful of what people might think or do? ...*be descriptive!*
3. Explain and discuss your personal experiences of reading God's Word with the "Paraclete" (*The Helper, the Holy Spirit*) vs. reading His Word without the influence and guidance of the Holy Spirit to help us understand...
  - How can we become more engaged in our personal relationship with the Word of God? ...*be descriptive!*
4. Knowing that the enemy is like a roaring lion, looking to destroy you and your families... How can we build a solid foundation in our lives, strengthened in our relationship with the Lord Jesus?
5. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

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Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

*(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)*

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How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

*Discuss your answer with your group...*

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)