

THE FOOLISHNESS OF GOD

1 Cor. 1:18-25

HK. a very unusual Easter as Candlewood will be meeting in 'virtual communities' with some of our leadership.

>What did you honor before you came to know Christ as your Savior?

>What do you honor now as you are in vibrant relationship with Him?

* It is important to note that the 'message of the cross' of Christ and His resurrection is 'foolishness' to those who do not believe!

1. v. 18...GOD'S WISDOM...{is the message of the cross and they think it is foolishness}

*What is the 'message of the cross'? {Acts 2,3,4,10}

a. GOD PROMISED THAT CHRIST WOULD COME...

b. THE REAL LIFE, DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST...

c. JESUS CHRIST FULFILLED PROPHECY...

d. JESUS CHRIST WOULD COME AGAIN...

e. AN INVITATION TO REPENT AND BELIEVE IN JESUS...

2. THEIR WISDOM...

a. v. 18-20...IT IS TEMPORARY and PASSING...

>Is. 29:14/v. 19....

>v. 20...Paul asking a pointed question to the culture of the time...

b. v. 21...THEIR MESSAGE DOES NOT BRING YOU TO GOD...

>Created beings are never equal or greater than their Creator!

c. v. 22-23...IT IS TOO SIMPLE...

>Note the effect to the Jew and the Greek...

d. v. 25...IN COMPARISON, WORLDLY WISDOM IS WEAK...

>Great logical truth here...

CHALLENGE...