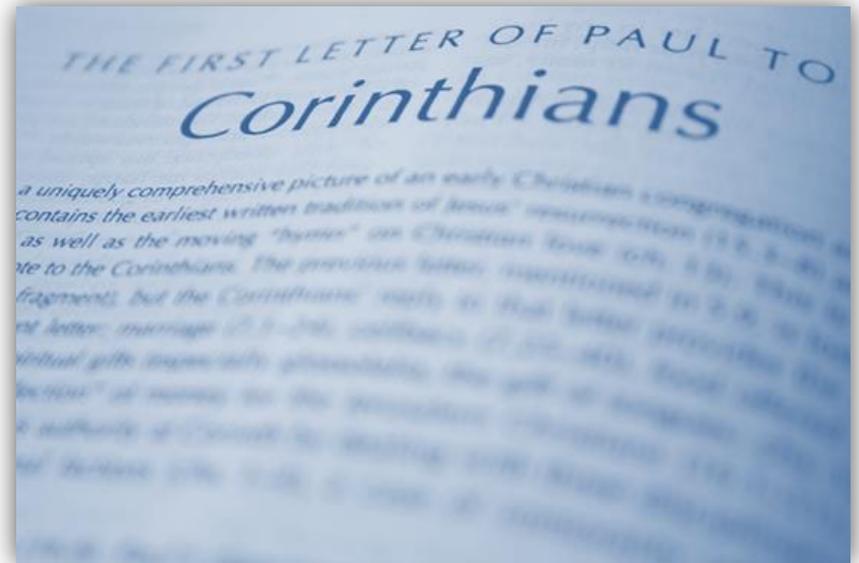


Personal Application and Conversations

1. What's one of your favorite family recipes?
2. Why do you think Paul contrasts the wisdom of the world vs. the secret wisdom that comes from the Spirit as he addresses his concern for the local church in Corinth?
3. How do you understand *"the foolishness of God"* (v.25) and why would He have Paul use such an expression?
4. How have you been affected by the foolishness of what was preached (1:21)?
5. How do you feel about the notion that we have *"God's secret wisdom"* (2:7)?
6. Meditate on 1 Corinthians 2:12ff. What do you think God wants us to grasp as it relates to the overall message of this letter to the church in Corinth?
7. What do you think God wants us to do with our secret sauce?



The Secret Sauce

I Corinthians 2:6-7, 12-14

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Is it the cheese or the sauce for you when it comes to your favorite pizza? The owner of an independent pizza parlor told me about the secret sauce for his very popular creations. He proudly said it's his great, great grandmother's 100 year old recipe from her kitchen in Italy. He's an older gentleman and the last in a long line to know and use it. Unless something changes, it looks like it's going to die with him. The "secret sauce" is what makes something successful or distinctive. So, what is the secret sauce that gives people a taste for God? Who has the recipe? And what does it have to do with family dynamics in the local church? Let's see what God wants to reveal to us about how it happens.

What we were before we were a family (1:26-27)

Family secrets (2:6-7, see also 1:30)

How can anyone know? (2:12-16)

How did we get into this family anyway? (1:28-31)