

# L I F E G R O U P

Main Idea: The goodness of Jesus' message can't be contained in a box. His goodness experienced, becomes the foundation of our lives.

Reference: 1 Corinthians 2:4 and 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Often times we reduce the message of Jesus into a nice, neat, and tidy box. It's in this box that God remains predictable and doesn't interfere with our daily lives. But Paul makes clear in this Scripture that that is not the true message of the gospel (or good news of Jesus). In actuality when we live in a way that pretends God can be in box, we are living as though the message of the cross of Jesus is foolishness. But Paul says for "we who are being saved it is the power of God (vs. 18)." We demonstrate our faith in Jesus' power when we invite His goodness into every aspect of our lives. The message of Jesus' goodness is a message of power that translates to every part of our existence. The message of Jesus is a message of both wisdom and powerful signs and wonders (vs. 24). When we begin to experience the message of Jesus in our daily lives we begin to understand that the wisdom and power of the message is not of this world. The power of Jesus can impact the darkest and most difficult places of our life (vs. 30).

1. How have you seen God's power be relevant to family, friends, hobbies, or careers?
2. If you were to make one change to allow God into more aspects of your life, what would it be?
3. What ways have you seen God's power in your life outside of Sunday morning church?
4. Are there any areas of your life that you feel you have kept distant from the power of Jesus?

Prayer points:

1. Pray that the power of Jesus' message would be experienced in your life.
2. Pray that more and more the goodness of God would be realized in other aspects of our daily life.