

# HOW GOD CHOOSES TO DO IT

## I Corinthians 1:10-2:14

*Now concerning the things about which you wrote... Cor 7:1*

### Consider How God Chooses to do it (vs.18-31)

#### 1. God Chooses to use \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.18-22)

*And he settled there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them. Acts 18:11*

*preach the word 2 Tim 4:2*

#### Notice: God uses the \_\_\_\_\_ of Preaching, Not \_\_\_\_\_ Preaching

*For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.*

*1 Cor 1:21 KJV*

*For while Jews [demandingly] ask for signs and miracles and Greeks pursue philosophy and wisdom, 1 Cor 1:22*

#### 2. God Chooses to use a \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.23-25)

*...but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness, 1 Cor.1:23*

*Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 1 Cor 15:1-4*

#### 3. God Chooses to use \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 26-31)

*Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. 27 But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. 28 He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things — and the things that are not — to nullify the things that are, 29 so that no one may boast before him. 1 Cor 1:26-29 NIV*

**POINT: God can use \_\_\_\_\_**

#### 4. God Chooses to keep it \_\_\_\_\_ (CH.2:1-5)

*... I did not use big words and great learning. 1 Cor 2:1 TEV*

*...I didn't use lofty words and brilliant ideas to tell you God's message.  
1 Cor 2:1 NLT*

*After this, Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. ...NIV And the Lord said to Paul in the night by a vision,  
"Do not be afraid any longer, but go on speaking and do not be silent; for I am with you, and no man will  
attack you in order to harm you, for I have many people in this city."  
Acts 18:1, 9-10*

**Paul focused on the Word, not the \_\_\_\_\_**

**Why??? 2 Reasons:**

**1. God's wisdom is hidden to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.6-8)**

**2. God's wisdom is revealed through God's \_\_\_\_\_ not man's  
\_\_\_\_\_ (vs.9-14)**