

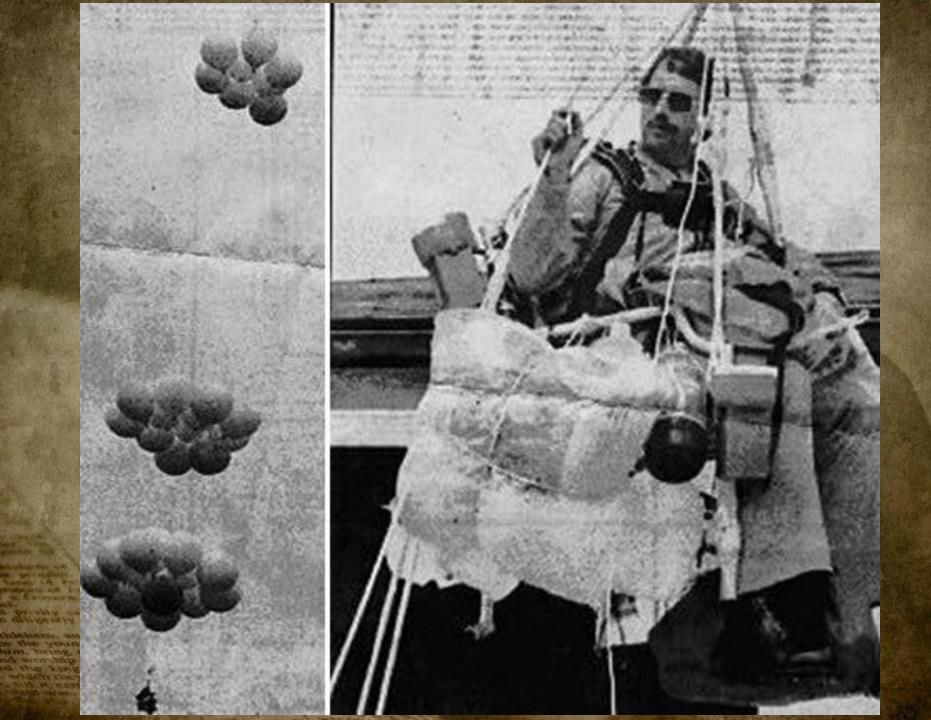
"At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, 'Ask for whatever you want me to give you.""

- 1 Kings 3:5

"For since in the <u>wisdom of God</u> the <u>world</u> through its <u>wisdom</u> did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe."

- 1 Corinthians 1:21

"wisdom" - 17 times in 1 Corinthians

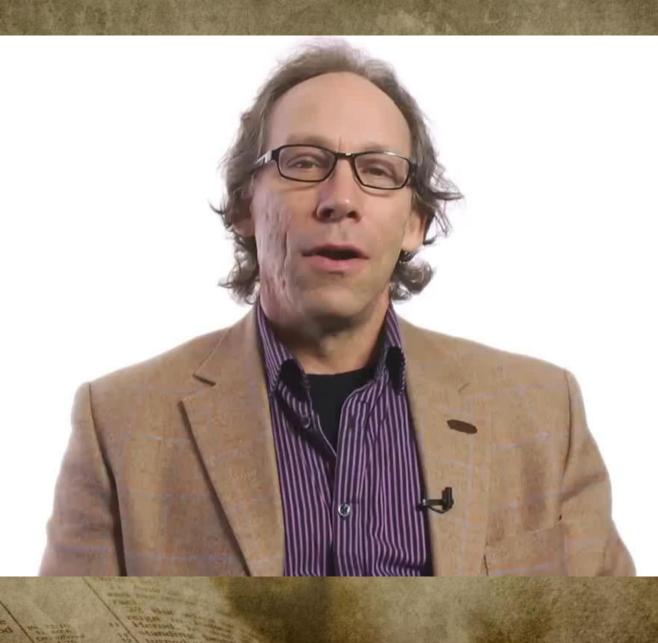


When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or <u>superior wisdom</u> as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to <u>know nothing</u> while I was with you <u>except Jesus Christ</u> and him crucified.

— 1 Corinthians 2:1-2

I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power,





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wisdom of the world:

... the use of the human mind to achieve and maintain a ground for boasting before God and man.

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit.

THE WISDOM OF THE GOSPEL...



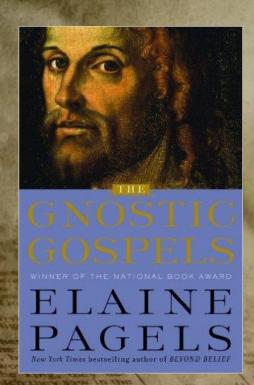
THE WISDOM OF THE GOSPEL... 1. It is not the wisdom of this world

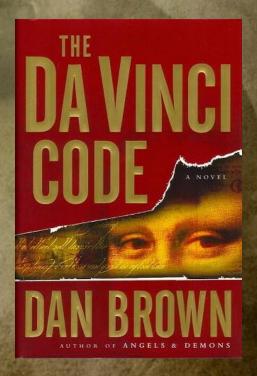
We do, however, speak a message of wisdom among the mature, but not the wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing.

However, as it is written: "What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived — the things God has prepared for those who love him"

For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except <u>Jesus Christ</u> and him crucified.

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None of the rulers of this age understood it, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory

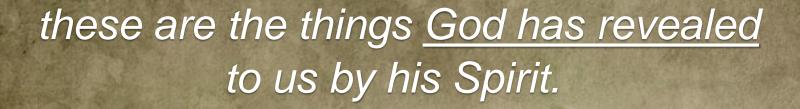
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THE WISDOM OF THE GOSPEL...

- 1. It is not the wisdom of this world
- 2. The Gospel message is <u>divinely</u> revealed.



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For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing... - 1 Corinthians 1:18a



... but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

- 1 Corinthians 1:18b



"I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure."

- Luke 10:21