*Friday, August 24, 2012*

**Slice of Life**

1 Corinthians 4:9-10 For I think that God hath set forth us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men. (10) We are fools for Christ's sake, but ye are wise in Christ; we are weak, but ye are strong; ye are honourable, but we are despised. (KJV)

Did you realize that the closer relationship that you have with our Lord, the more foolish you will appear to mankind? The flip side of that is when we try to please man then we are considered foolish in our Lord’s sight. Hey let’s face it, if you are going to act like a fool, why not do it for the right reason.

Isaiah 55:7-9 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. (8) For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. (9) For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (KJV)

Has there been a bit of a tug of war going on inside of you lately, where the Lord is asking something different of you, something you may consider a bit foolish? Have you been a bit tired of your walk lately, where it seems like it is just a treadmill exerting energy but not moving forward? Maybe the Lord is just encouraging you to get out of your carnal comfort zone and step up to a higher level in Christ? You have tapped into a realm where nothing is impossible to those that believe. However, faith without works is dead, because you need to walk in order to talk.

2 Corinthians 5:15-17 And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. (16) Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. (17) Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. (KJV)

You desire a new life? Then you will need to give ear to a new source, that being one seated at the right hand of God. I personally enjoy walking in a newness of life, because quite frankly my ways get old quick. Kind of like bread that is much better fresh than something left over and stale.

Proverbs 22:15 Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him. (KJV)

The truth is that we all have a bit of the inner child in us that still needs to be corrected and driven out. We all still hold onto childish thinking at times when we lean back to our own understanding.

Isaiah 5:20-21 Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! (21) Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! (KJV)

Today we have many that justify themselves by calling evil good and good evil. Instead of teaching the people how to be an over comer in Christ, they have settled for what they can see on this fallen side of the veil, which will be woe unto them.

John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. (KJV)

All this week we have looked at the terms foolish and wise. Do you know the difference between what God says is foolish, as compared to what man claims? When you realize that your own thoughts and ways will profit you nothing, then you will hold more to the word of God, which will enlighten you to the new life you have available in Christ. So why not go out today and do something foolish; well something foolish to the outward man but edifying to the inward one.