

Revelation

Matthew 11:25

Spiritual Insight

- I praise you, Father,
- Lord of heaven and earth
- God is sovereign.

Spiritual Insight

- because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned
 - “clever, skillful, intelligent”
- and revealed them to little children

Spiritual Insight

- The contrast is not about smart vs. stupid,
- but rather proud vs. humble.

Spiritual Insight

- this was your good pleasure

Spiritual Insight

- 1 Corinthians 1:18-31
 - God made foolish the wisdom of the world
 - God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.

Spiritual Insight

- Not many of you were
 - wise by human standards
 - influential
 - of noble birth

Spiritual Insight

- God chose
 - the foolish things of the world to shame the wise
 - the weak things...to shame the strong
 - the lowly things...and the despised things...things that are not...

Spiritual Insight

- you are in Christ Jesus,
 - who has become for us wisdom from God
 - our righteousness, holiness and redemption

Spiritual Insight

- 1 Corinthians 2
 - We do, however, speak a message of wisdom..
 - God's secret wisdom...
 - God has revealed it to us by his Spirit.

Spiritual Insight

- This is what we speak
 - not in words taught us by human wisdom
 - but in words taught by the Spirit
 - expressing spiritual truths in spiritual words

Spiritual Insight

- The man without the Spirit
 - does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God,
 - they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them
 - because they are spiritually discerned

Spiritual Insight

- Spiritual insight is not about being wise or intelligent.
- Spiritual insight is derived through humility and dependence on the God.

Knowledge of God

- All things have been committed to me by my Father.
 - No one knows the Son except the Father...

Knowledge of God

- no one knows the Father except the Son
 - and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

Knowledge of God

- No one has ever seen God,
 - but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side,
 - has made him known.

- John 1:18

Knowledge of God

- He is the image of the invisible God...

- Col. 1:15
- The Son is the radiance of God's glory
 - and the exact representation of his being.

- Heb. 1:3

Knowledge of God

- John 14:5-14
 - No one comes to the Father except through me.
 - Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.

Revelation

- Spiritual understanding comes through humility and dependence on God.
- God has revealed himself through Jesus Christ.
- Intimate fellowship with God comes through Christ alone.