

# God's Foolish Tools

## 1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5

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- **God chooses and uses "fools"**

- ◇ To bring down the mighty

- ◇ To keep all of us humble

- ◇ To ensure He gets the glory

- **Paul's foolish example**

- ◇ He preached Christ crucified

- ◇ He came in weakness and humility

- ◇ He was a vessel of God's power

- **Applications:**

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## FOR FURTHER ACTION/REFLECTION

Memorize 1 Corinthians 1:27

Read Zechariah 4:6, 2 Corinthians 4:7-10, 1 Corinthians 12, 1 Peter 4:10-11

Watch the Equip Workshop on Spiritual Gifts and Shape – [bit.ly/ForceyEquipSpiritualGifts](https://bit.ly/ForceyEquipSpiritualGifts)

Take the "Free Shape Test" – [bit.ly/GodsPurposeinLife](https://bit.ly/GodsPurposeinLife)

Read "4 Reasons God uses us fools to shame the wise" – [bit.ly/ToShameTheWise](https://bit.ly/ToShameTheWise)

Read "Why does God choose the foolish" – [bit.ly/ToShameTheWise](https://bit.ly/ToShameTheWise)

Listen to the sermon "Revealed by God" – [bit.ly/RevealedByGod](https://bit.ly/RevealedByGod)

Listen to "Your Spirit" – [bit.ly/YourSpirit1](https://bit.ly/YourSpirit1)

Listen to "Jesus at the Center" – [bit.ly/JesusAtTheCenter2](https://bit.ly/JesusAtTheCenter2)

Read *SHAPE: Finding and fulfilling your unique purpose for life* by Rees

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## GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. Share about a time when you observed someone unexpected doing something truly great. Why do these kinds of situations or stories inspire us so much?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 1:26-29. How does this passage challenge our common assumptions about what is most valuable and useful in the world?
4. Share about how God called you to know and serve Him? In what ways would you have been an unlikely candidate to know and serve God?
5. Read Exodus 4:10-12. Can you relate with Moses at all? What excuses have you given God about why you are unable to serve Him in some way? How did God continue to pursue you to do his will?
6. Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. What stand out to you in Paul's example? Does it encourage you at all to know Paul often felt weak and afraid as he did God's work? How so?
7. What are some ways we can make sure we are relying on God's Spirit and not our own strength as we serve the Lord? Consider Zechariah 4:6 as well.
8. In what ways have you experienced God's power working through you while serving Him? Does this really happen? What did God do?
9. Share about a way you have found fulfillment through ministry of some kind. Is there anything God is calling you to now in this season?
10. Spend some time praying for the Lord to mobilize his people for ministry. Pray for the people of Forcey to answer his call, no matter the cost. Pray that we would be equipped and empowered for whatever God has called us to do.

