

THE THINGS OF GOD

I Corinthians 2:9-12

INTRO:

- A. How are we to know the mind of God, the “things” of God?
- B. Paul declares that the Spirit has searched the mind of God and has revealed God’s things to man.
- C. So, to know God’s things we must turn to His revelation.

I. GOD’S THINGS

- A. Have been revealed. I Corinthians 2:10-11
- B. Written, and understandable. Ephesians 3:3-6
- C. To make us complete. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- D. All that pertains to life and godliness. 2 Peter 1:2-4
- E. No other gospel allowed. Galatians 1:6-9

II. SETTING THE STANDARD

- A. From heaven or men? Matthew 21:23-27
- B. Do all in the name of the Lord. Colossians 3:17
- C. Do the will of the Father. Matthew 7:21-23
 - 1. Expressed in:
 - (a. commands—this do. I Cor. 11:24-25
 - (b. approved examples—Acts 20:6-7
 - (c. necessary inference—Matthew 3:16

III. THE SILENCE OF GOD

- A. Secret things belong to God. Deuteronomy 29:29
- B. Not to think beyond what is written. I Cor. 4:6
- C. Silence prohibits. Hebrews 7:11-14

CONCLUSION:

- A. While many claim to know what God cares about, the truth is that only through His revealed word can we know His mind.
- B. By His revelation we are authorized to act in things that please Him.
- C. And by His silence we are prohibited from acting.