

# Smarter Than You

## READING

1 Corinthians 1  
1 Corinthians 3  
Isaiah 55

*The foolishness of God is wiser than the wisdom of people, and the weakness of God is stronger than the strength of people.*

**S**ome dogs seem really smart. They can learn things like, “sit”, “lie down”, “go outside”, “come”, ... and the names of all their toys, and can “get foxy” or “get doggy” on command.

But clearly you’re a **lot** smarter than a dog. People are a whole other level of smart compared to even the smartest animal on the planet. (Yeah I know we do some really dumb things sometimes, but we’re still a whole level smarter than animals)

And we’re starting to unlock the secrets of the universe. Learning how things work. Even how some parts of the human body work. We’re even exploring deep in the ocean and parts of the universe beyond our planet.

But what we need most is humility. God says, “My thoughts are not your thoughts, and your ways are not my ways. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

Honestly, just like you and your dog...  
Yahweh is a whole level smarter than you.  
A whole level smarter than the smartest person on the planet.

In fact, the comparison between you and a pet, is insignificant compared to the comparison between Yahweh and you. He doesn’t just understand how the universe works. **All** of it. He can make one, just by speaking.

As Paulus said in 1 Corinthians “the foolishness of God is wiser than the wisdom of people.”  
And “Don’t let anybody deceive themselves, if anyone among you thinks they’re wise in this age, let them become foolish so they may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God, for it’s been written “He’s the one who catches the wise in their craftiness.” And again, “Yahweh perceives the thinking of the wise — that it’s futile.””

We are so arrogant. We think we’re so smart, so clever because we can build a few things, we can fix a few things if they break, and we’ve understood a few things. But in reality, compared with God, we’re no smarter than a dog.

In our wisdom we announce that there is no god. But all that does is confirm our ignorance.

So... if you feel like you don’t measure up to the “super smart” of the world - don’t despair. It probably means you’re actually way smarter than they are, and you have opportunities to serve Yahweh that they will never have. “God has selected the foolish of the world so that he may disgrace the wise, and God has selected the weak of the world so that he may disgrace the strong.”

So, ignore the “wisdom” of this world. Listen to God. And do things his way.

We think we’re always right, but he actually is.