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Bethany Chapel
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 3. If you could answer all the questions of your critics, what do you think might be the result? Would this help? In what ways might this be less than helpful?
 4. How does Paul answer the charges that the message of Christ Crucified is “weak and foolish?”
 5. Give some examples where you have seen God’s foolishness being wiser than men and God’s weakness as being stronger than men? In what ways does this knowledge affect your faith?
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