

Deeper!
(1 Cor. 2:4, 5; 9 & 10)

And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

*10 But **God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit**: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*

- Listen to Paul's words...
 1. Eyes have not seen
 2. Ears have not heard
 3. Neither has it entered into the heart of man.

- What does this mean?
 1. Eyes can't see it!
 2. Ears can't hear it!
 3. Emotions can't feel it!
- So understand church, you cannot trust your eyes, ears, or emotions! You allow the Spirit of God to reveal God's plan!

- We must be transformed from entertainment seekers to those who seek after enrichment!
 1. **Entertainment** is all about holding the attention of the mind. It serves as a diversion or amusement!
 2. **Enrichment** means to supply with riches, wealth, and valuable possessions! To enrich means to make something finer in quality through supplying the proper elements or ingredients!
 3. So to entertainment holds our attention! Enrichment adds to our lives!

- In Ez. Chapter 47, God gives the prophet a vision about depth!
- He presents 4 measurements:
- Ankle-deep

- Knee-deep
- Waist-deep
- Swimming deep!
- These various depths describe the conditions of men!
- Some only want, to wade around in ankle-deep water!
- Others desire the knee-deep experience!
- Some people like it waist-deep!
- But, when you get into the deepest water, the river became so wide that no man could cross!
- There is lesson to learn!
- Deeper is not a place for going solo! Depth takes us into a place where we need a ship! We need the Body of Christ! That's why we preach unity!
- **How deep do you want to go?**
- There is a route that leads into the deeper water!
- Psalms 42 shows us a path to deeper living:

1. Hunger and Thirst for God! (V.1 & 2)

As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?

2. Hope that is rooted in God! (V.5-8)

Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance.

6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.

7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.

8 Yet the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.

3. **A Heart that will Praise the Lord no matter what happens!** (V.11)

Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.