

# DISCUSSION GUIDE

SERIES: GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

What to do right after the service to help "the Word dwell more richly," within us (Colossians 3:16):

1. Instead of rushing off after the service is over, or talking about the latest news, develop the habit of talking about the sermon with people after church. Start spiritual conversations by asking, "How did the Scripture challenge or speak to you today?" Or "what about God in the message encouraged you?"

2. Encourage someone by sharing things you learned about God from His Word during the sermon. Make note of how your thinking has changed. Don't let biblical teaching be a one-time event that fades from memory as soon as it is over (James 1:22-25). Choose one or two particular applications to share

[Above from book *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church Member*]

For further Application, Meditation and Conversation on today's text:

**Date: 4/3/2022 - The Name of God (Romans 9:17)**

1. In Romans 11:33, what stands out to you in how Paul speaks of God's wisdom ("O the depths ...")? What are things that make people say "O" - how should you be impacted more by God's wisdom and knowledge?

2. How would you define wisdom vs. knowledge in this text? What are some ways humans can have one but not the other? Why is it encouraging to know God is both all-knowing and all-wise?

3. Where does God display His wisdom? How should we respond to each? What happens when we suppress His revelation (1:20-25)?

4. How does the gospel display God's wisdom? How does Ephesians 3:10 fill out the picture? Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5 and note the contrasts between man's wisdom and God's and how God uses weakness and "foolishness" in His saving purposes.

5. Where do you need to trust God for what you don't know?

6. How can we discern God's wisdom in our life? How does James 1:5 and 3:17-18 help? How does Psalm 90:12-17 help? How do God's Spirit and God's Son show us wisdom?

7. Consider Job 12:12 ("wisdom is found with the elderly..."). Who is an older person can you ask for wisdom and how God has made them marvel at the depths of who He is?