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| **18 Bible Verses****about Philosophy** |
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| Colossians 2:8 | 1 Corinthians 2:13 | 1 Timothy 6:20 |
| 1 Corinthians 1:20 | Colossians 2:2-3 | Acts 17.28a |
| Titus 3:9-10 | Acts 17:18  | 1 Corinthians 1:21 |
| Proverbs 25:2 | Colossians 2:16-19 | James 2:19 |
| Matthew 10:28 | Romans 6:23 | 1 Corinthians 1:19 |
| 1 John 4:1 | Romans 1:20 | Romans 1:19 |

See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words. Guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge.

Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. For in him we live and move and have our being.

Avoid foolish controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because these are unprofitable and useless. Warn a divisive person once, and then warn them a second time. After that, have nothing to do with them. A group of Epicurean and Stoic philosophers began to debate with him. Some of them asked, “What is this babbler trying to say?” Others remarked, “He seems to be advocating foreign gods.” They said this because Paul was preaching the good news about Jesus and the resurrection. For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.

It is the glory of God to conceal a matter; to search out a matter is the glory of kings. Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow. You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that —and shudder.

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.”

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse. What may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them.