

## Confusion of the Wise

*Isaiah 19:1-15*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ nonsense! (v. 1-4)
  - a. The LORD will \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. \_\_\_\_\_ gods will tremble
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_ of followers will melt
  - b. The LORD will provoke \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. \_\_\_\_\_ will reign
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_ will flourish
    - iii. \_\_\_\_\_ will rise
2. \_\_\_\_\_ collapse! (v. 5-10)
  - a. “\_\_\_\_\_” of Egypt will dry up
    - i. No more riverside \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. No more irrigated \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ will be crushed
    - i. \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_
    - iii. Every \_\_\_\_\_ class
3. \_\_\_\_\_ fools! (v. 11-15)
  - a. In \_\_\_\_\_’s court
  - b. In \_\_\_\_\_ cities
  - c. Inability to \_\_\_\_\_ true plans
  - d. Inability to \_\_\_\_\_ true plans
  - e. Inability to do \_\_\_\_\_!

## For Further Study

### ***Confusion of the Wise***

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#### ***Worthless Religion***

One of the interesting themes at the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> century was that of “seeker sensitive” churches. The idea was that there are many people seeking God or seeking answers and churches just had to find a way to nicely rope in those seekers to hear the answer God has for them in Jesus. There was just one problem: Psalm 14, Psalm 53 and Romans 3:10-12.

When people realize their false religions give them no hope, they do often turn to other things. What did Egyptians turn to (19:3)?

What do Americans today often turn to?

Can God draw hopeless people to Him? How? (Read 1 Tim. 3:15.)

#### ***Economic Ruin***

In Egypt, the Nile River represented a powerful economy. It was the Nile that made the difference between an influential food exporting nation and a poor, starving nation. When the heart of a nation’s economy collapses, what happens to that people?

How should the church address our current impacted economy?

#### ***Confused Counsel***

Egypt was known for its “wisdom.” America, too, has many “experts.” How would you describe America’s “wise men?”

Read Proverbs 1:7 and 1 Corinthians 1:18-31. What is real wisdom? How does worldly wisdom differ?