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## *SOWING GOSPEL SEEDS TO THE GLORY OF GOD*

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1 Corinthians 2:1-5

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### **Children's Sermon:**

❖ Jesus Christ and Him Crucified

### **1 Corinthians 2:1-5 (NKJV)**

<sup>1</sup> And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. <sup>2</sup> For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. <sup>3</sup> I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup> And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup> that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

**Notes:**

### **THERE IS ONE MESSAGE: CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED:**

It is the focus of all of Scripture. The Old Testament looks ahead to it; the New Testament looks back to it.

### **WHAT PAUL IS SAYING AND HOW IT IMPACTS ME**

1. **Verse 1.** Paul did not rely on eloquence or brilliance, but rather on the content of the message. Great news for us! What is that message? THE GREAT EXCHANGE! Please, please give yourself to surveying the Wondrous Cross!
2. **Verse 2.** There was a determination here. I may know a lot of things, but I'm determined to focus on one. Why? Because it happens to be the one thing that trumps all other things.
3. **Verse 3-4.** My weakness/His power
4. **Verse 5.** The Holy Spirit brings His power to bear in the hearts of the hearers, by the power of the message.

## **OUR 1 CORINTHIANS TWO CALLING**

- To know Him and His message
- To be free from trusting in your speaking ability

*Let eloquence be flung to the dogs rather than souls be lost. What we want is to win souls. They are not won by flowery speeches. (Charles Spurgeon)*

- To be free from inferiority complexes about your lack of smarts
- To trust that God, by His Spirit, brings the power when Christ and Him crucified is proclaimed
- To be a seed sower
- To be clear on the job descriptions: you—the sower; God—the one who gives growth
- To seek out and receive training in making the gospel known
- TO NOT BE A DEAD SEA CHRISTIAN

## **THE POWER OF ONE GOSPEL SEED SOWN FOR THE GLORY OF GOD**

—THE STORY OF SVEA AND DAVID FLOOD