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READ

Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 and 1 Corinthians 9:19-23 and consider what lessons the Holy Spirit intends us to learn.

EXAMINE

- Explain what Paul means when he tells the Corinthians he knew “nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified” (2:2).
- What is the core gospel message?
- How does Paul contrast the wisdom of men and the power of God? In what ways are these different?
- What does Paul mean in 1 Cor. 9:19 when he says, “I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them”?
- How does 1 Cor. 2:1-5 relate to 1 Cor. 9:19-23? What is Paul willing to change in his ministry? What is he not willing to change? Why?

APPLY

- How does 1 Cor. 2:2 shape the way you engage in evangelism and disciple-making?
- In what ways can we tend to rely on the wisdom of men rather than the power of God in church life? How can we reorient to reliance on the power of God?
- The church must be absolutely unchanging with the gospel message, but ready to change its ministry methods for the sake of the gospel, to win more to Christ. How can we as a church pursue change well in light of this reality?
- Why can change be so difficult when we consider missions, ministry, and church life? How does faith in Christ shape the way we approach change?
- What are some ways the church can “become all things to all people” today (1 Cor. 9:22)?

PRAY

- Take time to praise God for who He is, confess sins, and/or make requests based on this passage.

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