

Sunday Sermon | Calvary Chapel Waterford
1 Corinthians 1 Sermon Outline Pastor Tom Zimbelman

Theme: The Humble Boast

1. The Paradox: Death Leads to Life - 1 Corinthians 1:18-21

- *The cross is foolish to the perishing.*
- *The cross is God's power to believers.*
- *Human wisdom cannot discover God.*
- *God saves through the preached gospel.*

2. The Offense of Christ - 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

- *Jews demanded signs.*
- *Greeks pursued philosophy.*
- *The apostles preached Christ crucified.*
- *Christ is God's power and wisdom.*

3. God's Chosen: The Lowly - 1 Corinthians 1:26-29

- *Few believers were wise or powerful.*
- *God chooses the weak and humble.*
- *Worldly wisdom is put to shame.*
- *No one may boast before God.*

4. Boast in Christ Alone - 1 Corinthians 1:30-31

- *Christ is our wisdom from God.*
- *He provides righteousness and sanctification.*
- *He secures our redemption.*
- *Therefore boast only in the Lord.*

Scripture Cross References

1 Corinthians 1

Colossians 1:20: *By Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.*

Luke 9:23: *If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.*

Galatians 2:20: *I have been crucified with Christ it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave Himself for me.*

Psalms 22:16: *They pierced My hands and My feet.*

Isaiah 53:10–12: *You make His soul an offering for sin... For He shall bear their iniquities... He bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.*

1 Peter 1:18–19: *You were not redeemed with corruptible things like silver or gold from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers but with the precious blood of Christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.*

Revelation 3:17–18: *Because you say I am rich have become wealthy and have need of nothing and do not know that you are wretched miserable poor blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire that you may be rich and white garments that you may be clothed that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed and anoint your eyes with eye salve that you may see.*

2 Corinthians 5:21: *For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*