

1 CORINTHIANS

LEARNING TO LIVE BY THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

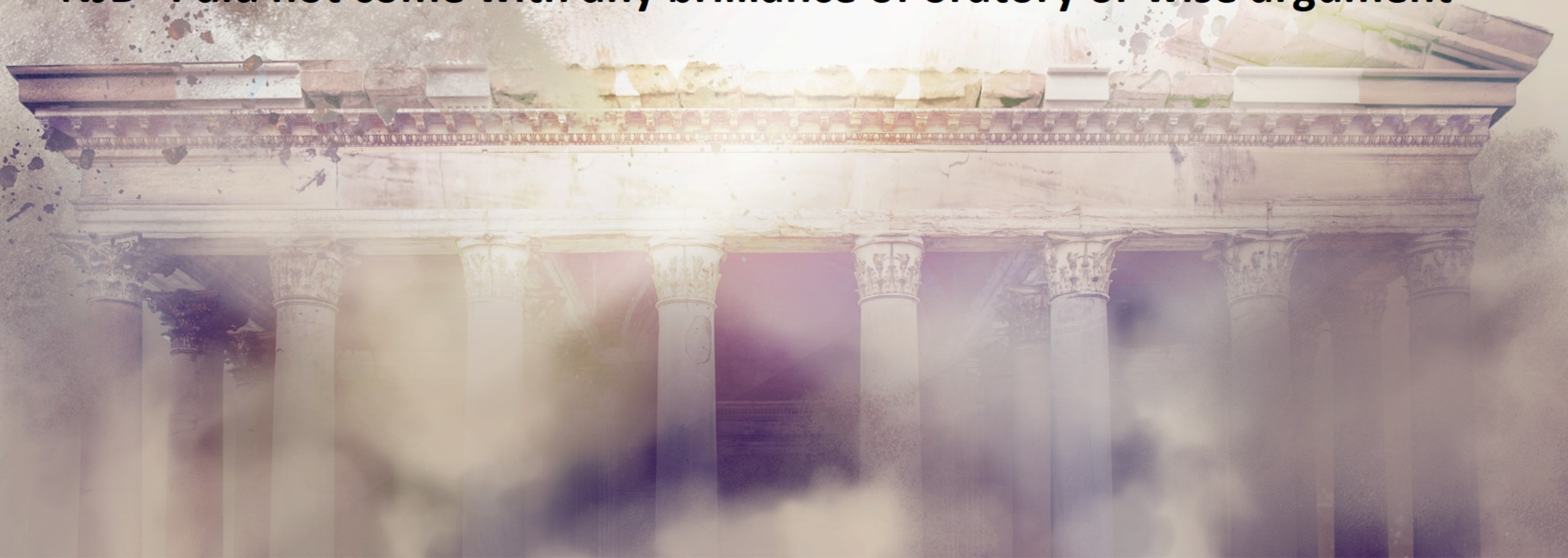
"Preaching and the Preacher"

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

3 Foundational Facets of Biblical Preaching

The Content of Biblical Preaching:
Focusing on Christ crucified, not the style of preaching.

NKJV "did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom"
NASB "I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom"
NRSV "I did not come proclaiming. . .in lofty words or wisdom"
TEV "I did not use long words and great learning"
NJB "I did not come with any brilliance of oratory or wise argument"



“Then Paul, as his custom was, went in to them, and for three Sabbaths reasoned with them from the Scriptures, explaining and demonstrating that the Christ had to suffer and rise again from the dead, and *saying*, “This Jesus whom I preach to you is the Christ.” Acts 17:2-3

“For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.” 1 Corinthians 1:22-24

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“Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God, who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.” 2 Corinthians 3:5-6



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The Consequence of Biblical Preaching:
Establishing believers in the power of God, not human wisdom.