

The Center of the Christian Message

An Exposition of 1 Corinthians 1-2 (Part 13)

The Gospel and the Ministry of the Apostle Paul (Part 4)

A Humble Christ and a Humbling Message

The Center of the Christian Message (1 Cor. 1-2)

- I. The Gospel Revealed in the Design of God (1:18-25)
- II. The Gospel Revealed in the Composition of the Church (1:26-31)
- III. The Gospel Revealed in the Ministry of the Apostle Paul (2:1-5)
 - A. Christ: The Content of our Message (2:1-2)
 - B. Dependency: The Character of the Messenger (2:3-4)
 1. Marked by Human Frailty (2:3)
 - weakness frailty, timidity
 - fear severe distress
 - trembling quacking or shaking
 2. Trusted Divine Efficiency (2:4)
 - a. Its Contrast (2:4a)
 - persuasive to convince, to seduce by persuasion