The Center of the Christian Message

An Exposition of 1 Corinthians 1-2 (Part 2019)

The Nature of the Christian Message (Part 6)

- I. The Character of Our Message (2:6-9)
- II. The Revelation of Our Message (2:10-13)
 - A. The Necessity of the Spirit (2:10-11)
 - 1. Stated (2:10a)
 - 2. Explained (2:10b-11)
 - a. Explanation #1: His Capacity (2:10b)
 - 1) The Scope of the Spirit's Capacity $(2:10b_{1-6})$
 - 2) The Second the Extent of His Capacity (2:10b₇₋₁₁)
 - b. Explanation #2: His Singularity (2:11)
 - 1) Illustrated (2:11a)
 - 2) Applied (2:11b)
 - B. The Methodology of the Spirit (2:12-13)
 - 1. God Gifted the Spirit (2:12)
 - a. The Gifting Itself (2:12a)
 - b. The Reason for the Gifting (2:12b)
 - freely given to grant or give graciously as a favor
 - The Spirit Granted the Revelation: Inspiration (2:13)
 - the Holy Spirit superintended, that is, controlled and guided, the authors of the Scripture in such a way that when they wrote and spoke God's message they did so without error, and in such a way that it factually communicated the message of God (2 Pet. 1:20-21).
 - a. The Outcome of Inspiration (2:13a-c)
 - b. The Methodology of Inspiration (2:13d)
 - combining to unite or compound; to compare; to measure or evaluate; or to interpret.