

SPEAK JESUS

Broken Yet Beloved Message Series Week 2

1 Corinthians 1:17-2:5

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Problem: It's easy for us to be distracted and divided.

Solution: Stay focused on Jesus and the gospel because...

- 1. Everyone's eternal destiny hangs in the balance.**
(1 Corinthians 1:17; Matthew 7:13-14)

- 2. There is wisdom and power in Christ.**
(1 Corinthians 1:18-25; Colossians 2:2-3a)

- 3. It's not about you.** (1 Corinthians 1:26-31)

- 4. The gospel, combined with the Spirit, is powerful.**
(1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Romans 1:16)

Responses:

1. **Confess to God that you have been distracted and your heart and mind have not been focused on Jesus.**

2. **Spend more time this week in Scripture and worship than on the internet, social media, or news.**

3. **Share Jesus and the gospel with younger generations through volunteering in:**
 - **Children’s Ministry**
(contact Kimberlee Xiong at kxiong@cbcpc.org)
 - **TNT Junior High Ministry**
(contact David Ellis at dellis@cbcpc.org)
 - **Student Body Senior High Ministry**
(contact Will Small at wsmall@cbcpc.org)

“Take a good look, friends, at who you were when you got called into this life. I don’t see many of ‘the brightest and the best’ among you, not many influential, not many from high-society families. Isn’t it obvious that God deliberately chose men and women that the culture overlooks and exploits and abuses, chose these ‘nobodies’ to expose the hollow pretensions of the ‘somebodies’? That makes it quite clear that none of you can get by with blowing your own horn before God. Everything that we have—right thinking and right living, a clean slate and a fresh start—comes from God by way of Jesus Christ. That’s why we have the saying, ‘If you’re going to blow a horn, blow a trumpet for God.’”

1 Corinthians 1:26-31, The Message