1 Corinthians 2:2-8 – How we bring the Gospel of Peace

1. Vs. 1-2 – Eloquent
   1. a. Paul was one of the smartest people of his time. He was as he wrote in Philippians 3:5 “A Pharisee of the Pharisees”
      1. He was very well educated, and before Christ would let you know that
      2. He spent most all of his youth learning Greek, Hebrew and Latin presumably. He was very eloquent in speech
   2. When Christ saved Paul He completely changed him like He does us
      1. Paul in verse two did not come for any other reason but Christ crucified
      2. He did not want to use his intelligence to win them over but allow Christ to work through him
2. VS. 3 – 5 Fear and Trembling in the Lord
   1. He reiterates that he is not using human arguments, but his speech was being directed and instructed by Jesus Christ
   2. He did this so they did not falsely claim, as they were doing anyway, that Paul was trying to persuade them.
3. 3. Vs. 6-8 – Wisdom or Vanity
   1. Paul made a point to point out the difference in human wisdom vs Godly wisdom
      1. Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes that all things are vanity without God. - (elaborate on life of Solomon)
      2. All wisdom comes from God and everything good comes from God.

(2) In a powerful statement in verse 8 Paul said if the world would have known what they were actually doing they would not have crucified Christ.

* + 1. The world at one moment was yelling Hosanna, Hosanna, and the next they were yelling crucify Him.