

# BEFORE WE GO ANY FURTHER

## I Corinthians 1:10-2:14

*Now concerning the things about which you wrote...1 Cor. 7:1*

### Paul Deals with the Biggest Problem in the church

**First:** \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.10-17)

### Jesus' Big Prayer Request (John 17)

*I am no more in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy name, the name which Thou has given Me, that they may be one, even as We are (vs.11)...That they may all be one (v.21)... And the glory which Thou hast given Me I have given to them; that they may be one, just as We are one (v.22)... I in them, and Thou in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, (v.23)...*

### (V.11-12)

#### Apollos

*I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow. I Cor.. 3:6)*

*A Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was a learned man, with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures. Acts 18:24*

#### Peter (Cephas)

*They saw that I had been entrusted with the task of preaching the gospel to the Gentiles, just as Peter had been to the Jews (Gal.2:7 )*

### Problem: Some said “I am of Christ” (v.12)

**Those who claimed allegiance to Paul, Apollos and Peter were too deep in**

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**Those who claimed to follow Christ alone never really tapped into**

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### Consider How God Chooses to do it (vs.18-31)

#### 1. God Chooses to use \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.18-21)

*And he settled there a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them. Acts 18:11*

*Preach the word. 2 Tim 4:2*

**Notice: God uses the \_\_\_\_\_ of Preaching,  
Not \_\_\_\_\_ Preaching**

*For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. 1 Cor 1:21 KJV*

#### 2. God Chooses to use a \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.23-25)

*...but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness, I Cor.1:23*

*Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 1 Cor 15:1-4*

**3. God Chooses to use \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 26-31)**

**POINT: God can use \_\_\_\_\_**

**4. God Chooses to keep it \_\_\_\_\_ (CH.2:1-5)**

*... I did not use big words and great learning. 1 Cor 2:1 TEV*

*...I didn't use lofty words and brilliant ideas to tell you God's message.*

*1 Cor 2:1 NLT*

**Paul focused on the Word, not the \_\_\_\_\_**

**Why??? 2 Reasons**

**1. God's wisdom is hidden to \_\_\_\_\_ (vs.6-8)**

**2. God's wisdom is revealed through God's \_\_\_\_\_ not man's  
\_\_\_\_\_ (vs.9-14)**