

# To Know Jesus Christ And Him Crucified

## 1 Corinthians 2

<sup>1</sup>And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. <sup>2</sup>For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>And my speech and my preaching *was* not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: <sup>5</sup>That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

<sup>6</sup>Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: <sup>7</sup>But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, *even* the hidden *wisdom*, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: <sup>8</sup>Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known *it*, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. <sup>10</sup>But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God. <sup>11</sup>For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. <sup>13</sup>Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. <sup>14</sup>But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

Paul was writing or speaking to the Church in Corinth. Paul understood that the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ was sufficient because of the power of the cross.

### (Corinthians 2:2

**I determined not to know any thing among you**—Satisfied that the Gospel of God could alone make you wise unto salvation, I determined to cultivate no other knowledge, and to teach nothing but Jesus Christ, and him crucified)

Thank God for the cross. It was through the cross that you and I have found salvation. We need to understand that there is more to salvation than the forgiveness of sins. The message of the cross is New Testament Salvation.

Salvation has built within it many deliverances. They all come through the power of the cross of Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>And my speech<sup>G3056</sup> and my preaching<sup>G2782</sup> was not with enticing<sup>G3981</sup> words<sup>G3056</sup> of man's<sup>G442</sup> wisdom<sup>G4678</sup>, but in demonstration<sup>G585</sup> of the Spirit<sup>G4151</sup> and of power<sup>G1411</sup>:

This Gospel that Paul preached was one of power. With in the message that Paul preached was one that had the demonstration of the Spirit. Demonstration is manifestation and God was manifested when Paul preached. God was manifest through His power. In the true Gospel the power of God is present.

As the true Gospel is preached and received, the truth will be manifest. The revelation of who Jesus Christ can be revealed unto you today as the Gospel is preached. The truth Gospel will silence the false teachings and do away with idolatry. It will break the yoke of bondage concerning idolatry. It will override the teachings of the false teachings of our world. This is why a Buddhist, a Muslim, a Trinitarian, a witch doctor, an atheist, etc., will believe the truth when they hear the true Gospel preached. It is because of the demonstration of the Spirit and of power.

It is because of the power that is in the cross.

This power never ceases to work. It is transforming power and continues to work every second of every day. Not only had it made a way to for give us of our sins but gives us the power to live overcoming lives. It sets us free from sin and helps us to remain that way. This is how we can resist the devil and he flees from us. It is through the power of the Born again experience that was made possible through the cross.

*Revelation 1* <sup>18</sup> **I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.**

It was on the cross that Jesus conquered death and hell.

It is now through what Jesus accomplished we have access to eternal life.

Jesus took your place and mine when He went to the cross. The penalty of sin is death. We should have been crucified. But God in His Grace took our place. The Gospel is all about the cross. Without the cross you don't have a the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

With in the gospel is the demonstration of the Spirit or the demonstration of God through His power.

The miracle working power of God is manifest through the Gospel. This is why the Death, Burial and Resurrection much be preached. This is where the power is at. It sets a person free from death and hell.

Not only is there freedom from death and hell, there is the power to keep up victorious every day.

The cross has made the Holy Ghost possible; it has given us authority and power through the Name of Jesus. It has made available the power of God unto those that been Born Again of the Water and of the Spirit.

*Mark 16:* <sup>14</sup>Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. <sup>15</sup>And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. <sup>16</sup>He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. <sup>17</sup>And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; <sup>18</sup>They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

If we will go and preach, the power of the cross is available. When the Gospel is preached, there will be believers that will be saved.

Signs will follow the believer:

The demonstration of the Spirit is be manifest through the power of God, devils will be cast out, people will speak in tongues when they receive the Spirit of God, The sick will be healed, They will be protected from harm, etc.

The miraculous will be evident through believing the Gospel which hinges on the power of the cross.

Our faith must be in what was accomplished through the cross of Calvary. All of the faith that we proclaim to have will not do us any good if it is not placed in the one who conquered on the cross.

Our eyes and faith need to be directed toward the cross. If anybody finds salvation, it will be only because of Calvary. We owe so much to what took place on the cross.

There are needs in your life today and they can be met if you can only understand and tap into the power that broke the yoke of bondage on the cross.

Your healing comes through the stripes that were placed on the back of the Lord Jesus.

Isaiah 53: <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Do you need a miracle, do you need healing, do you need an answer to prayer, do you need to be rid of an evil spirit, do you need to overcome a temptation that keeps you from having victory?

Your answer has already been provided through what was accomplished at the cross. Not only was the blood of redemption shed, but death and hell were defeated. Jesus now holds the keys that bring unto you the supplying of your needs. There is victory now available. The power of God is demonstrated through the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Do you need Salvation?

Do you need healing?

Do you need to be free from depression and worry?

Whatever your need may be, Jesus has made the answer available today. You do not need to look any further. Come to Calvary because Jesus will meet you there. At the Cross..... It is at the cross....