

Series: 1 Corinthians

“The Glorious Purpose of God”

(Sunday Morning February 8th, 2026)

Passage: 1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5

Heb 10:4 “For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.”
Jer 9:23-24 (Reference)

Question = In a works based system of religion, who ultimately gets the glory?
Answer = M_____

Question = In our Christian faith based system of religions, who gets the glory?
Answer = G_____

Eph 2:8-9 “8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.”

I. This Purpose Can be Seen in the P_____ of G_____

1) We Have Been C_____

John 6:44 “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.”

1 Cor 2:14 “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

All of us who are Christians possess wisdom, in fact, we have a s_____ w_____.

2) We Have Been C_____

John 6:37 “All that the Father gives Me will come to Me (God’s Sovereignty), and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out (Man’s Freewill)” (Emphasis Added)

a. God Has Chosen the F_____ to Shame the W_____

Acts 4:13 “Now as they observed the confidence of Peter and John and understood that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were amazed, and began to recognize them as having been with Jesus.”

b. God Has Chosen the Weak to S_____ the S_____

Deut 7:7-8 “7 The LORD did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any of the peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples, 8 but because the LORD loved you and kept the oath which He swore to your forefathers, the LORD brought you out by a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.”

c. God Has Chosen the B_____ to Shame the N_____

Judges 6:15-16 “... ‘O Lord, how shall I deliver Israel? Behold, my family is the least in Manasseh, and I am the youngest in my father’s house.’ 16 But the LORD said to him, ‘Surely I will be with you, and you shall defeat Midian as one man.’”

II. This Purpose Can be Seen in the P_____ of the G_____

1) We Have Some C_____

- a. We Can Take an I_____ Approach
- b. We Can Focus on a S_____ Approach
- c. We Can Use an E_____ Approach
- d. We Can Try a S_____ Approach
- e. We Can Adopt a P_____ Approach

Rom 1:16 “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek”

- f. We Can Use the P_____ Approach

Acts 17:28 (Reference)

Acts 17:33-34 “33 So Paul went out of their midst. 34 But some men joined him and believed, among whom also were Dionysius the Areopagite and a woman named Damaris and others with them.”

2) We Have a C_____

Eze 37:4 “(Son of Man)... ‘Prophesy (Preach) over these bones and say to them, ‘O dry bones hear the word of the LORD!’” (Emphasis Added)

Eze 37:9 “Then He said to me, ‘Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, ‘Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they come to life’”

Question = Why has God chosen to use something as simple and basic as preaching a simple message to reach the lost, especially, in our modern age?

Answer = Because this is one of the ways that He can fulfill His g_____ p_____

- a. God Enjoys Putting His G_____ on Display

Eph 2:7 “so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.”

- b. God Enjoys Putting Our F_____ on Display

1 Pet 1:6-7 “6 In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, 7 so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ”