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“Confidence in Gospel Proclamation”

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2 Corinthians 4:1-2

“Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart,

But we have renounced the things hidden because of shame, not walking in craftiness or adulterating the word of God, but by the manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man’s conscience in the sight of God.”

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1 Corinthians 2:1-5

“And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God.

For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified...

...And my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in the demonstration of the Spirit and of power,
that your faith should not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.”

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Implications for Evangelism

1. Complete dependence on God, not ourselves or our wisdom, to save sinners

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2. Rejection of craftiness, manipulation or psychological pressure in order to “get a decision”

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3. Confidence in the uncompromised message of the gospel and its proclamation as God’s power for salvation

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4. Encouragement that God will save, through the gospel, even the worst of sinners