

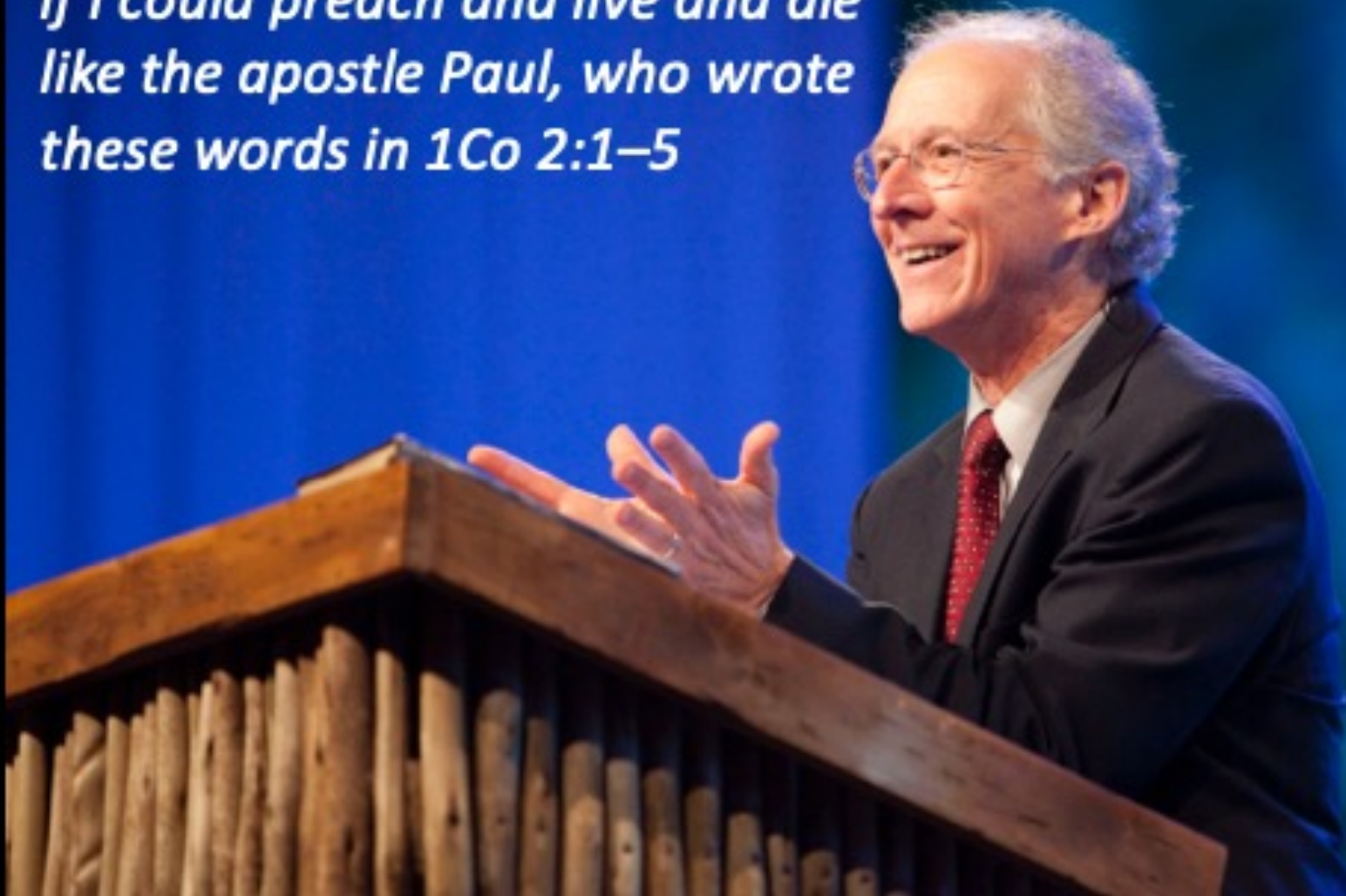


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*I would consider my life well spent
if I could preach and live and die
like the apostle Paul, who wrote
these words in 1Co 2:1–5*



So You Wanna Be A Pastor?

1Co 2:1-5



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1 Corinthians 2:1

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



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1 Corinthians 2:2

For I decided to know nothing among you
except **Jesus Christ and him crucified.**



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1 Corinthians 1:18

For the word of the cross is **folly** to those who are perishing,



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For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing,
but to us who are **being saved it is the power of God.**



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1 Corinthians 1:23–24

but we preach Christ crucified...

Christ the **power of God and the wisdom of God.**



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1 Corinthians 2:3

And I was with you in weakness and in fear
and much trembling,



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Galatians 4:13

You know it was because of a **bodily ailment**
that I preached the gospel to you at first,



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2 Corinthians 12:5–7

... I will not boast, except of my **weaknesses...**
a thorn was given me in the flesh,



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2 Corinthians 12:10

For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with **weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities**. For when I **am weak**, then I am strong.



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Acts 17:32

Now when they heard of the resurrection of the dead,
some mocked.



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Acts 18:6

... they **opposed and reviled** him...



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Acts 18:9

And the Lord said to Paul one night in a vision,

“Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent,



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so that your faith might not rest
in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.



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2 Corinthians 4:7

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.



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2 Corinthians 12:9

But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.



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1 Corinthians 2:4

and my speech and my message were **not in plausible words of wisdom**, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,



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2 Corinthians 10:10

For they say, “His letters are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and **his speech of no account.**”



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Romans 10:17

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through
the word of Christ.



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Romans 10:17

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the **word of Christ**.

Romans 10:15 “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the **good news!**”



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