



⁹One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: "Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent. ¹⁰For I am with you, and no one is going to attack and harm you, because **I have many people in this city.**" ¹¹So Paul stayed in Corinth for a year and a half, teaching them the word of God.
(Acts 18:9-11)

The beauty of unity . . .

1 Corinthians 1:10

The tyranny of celebrity . . .

1 Corinthians 1:11

- ▶ It creates disunity
- ▶ It endangers leadership

Beth Moore . . .

The celebrity culture we navigate is terrifying. Only the foolish have no fear of it. There is a trapdoor at the foot of every podium -- and pastors, teachers, and speakers can get swallowed whole."

- ▶ It replaces personal discipleship
Corinthians 3:1-6

Two Spiritually Releasing Truths . . .

- **It's NOT our coolness, it's Christ's Cross**
I Corinthians 1:13-15
I Corinthians 1:17

Brian Dodd . . .

“I did not find this message in the books I was reading (and I read just about everything - really). But slowly, subtly and for a time, a focus on vision, excellence and seeker sensitivity had replaced the cross in my thinking. My ministry reflected my thinking, up to date but powerless. . . . I was drifting, awash in leadership lingo and principles but often ignoring and even navigating against the way of Jesus, the way of the cross and the way of the kingdom of God.”

Frank Bartleman . . .

“In that old building, with its low rafters and bare floors, God took strong men and women to pieces, and put them together again for His glory. It was a tremendous overhauling process.”

- **It's NOT our image, it's Jesus' glory**
I Corinthians 1:26-31

God's '**wisdom**' in Jesus . . .

- Righteousness
- Holiness
- Redemption