



True to the Word
Going Deep, part eight
1 Corinthians 15

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (NIV)

"Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ²

³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

⁹ For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. ¹¹ Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed."

Principles for teaching that honors God:

There is an ongoing emphasis on the _____ of the _____ (v.1).

The message should _____ me _____ (v.1).

The message is not just to _____, but to _____ Christ (v.2).

The message should be presented as _____ (v.2).

The one bringing the message should be _____ and _____ (v.3).

The primary message focus should be on _____ (vv.3-8).

Our messages should be based on the _____ (vv.3-4).

"Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³ For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear." 2 Timothy 4:2-3 (NIV)

The message should be brought with a spirit of _____ & _____ (v.9).

The message should emphasize _____ (vv.10-11).