

Preaching Christ

Paul resolved to preach Christ and him crucified. But what does that mean? Is that not what all preachers do when they preach? In what ways may we be failing to actually preach Christ, and instead offering gospel presentation that falls short of Paul's goal? In this talk we will wrestle with the nature of biblical proclamation in evangelism and regular church preaching. What does it mean to “preach Christ?” And why do some messages that break all the guidelines still bear fruit anyway?

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1 Corinthians 2:1-5

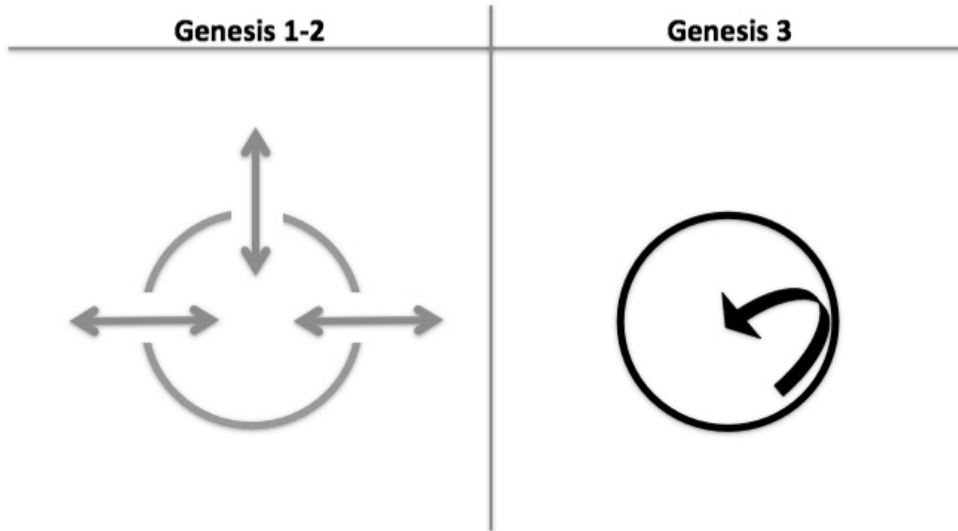
¹ And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except **Jesus Christ and him crucified**. ³ And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴ and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Galatians 2:20-3:3

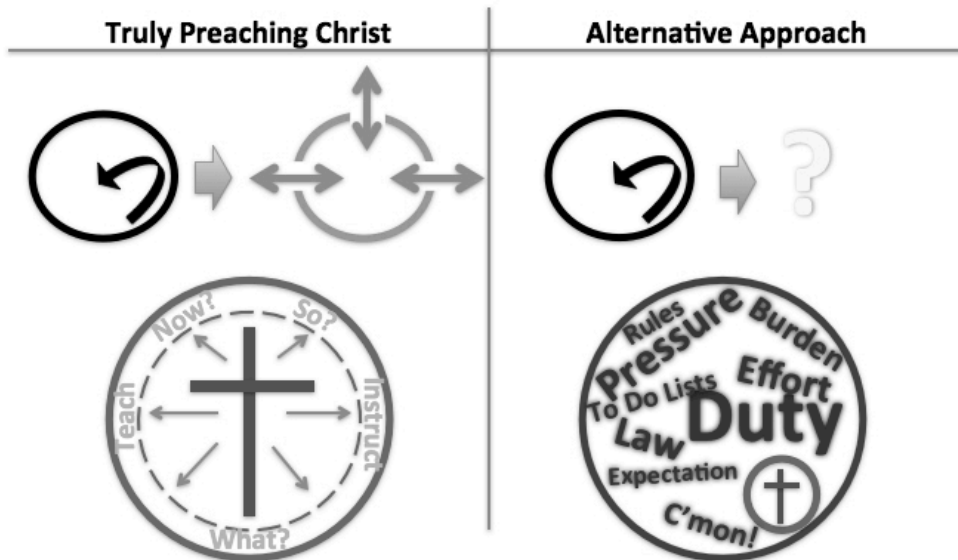
²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

¹ O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that **Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified**. ² Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? ³ Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

Human: Two Options



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