I. Introduction
   A. Pattern of Paul from Athens to Corinth (1 Cor. 2:1–5)
   B. Personal testimony—student of Ludwig Wittgenstein, father of linguistic philosophy (1 Cor. 1:18–21)

II. Six Aspects of the Cross
   A. One perfect all-sufficient sacrifice (Heb. 10:14)—Removed the guilt of all humanity (Is. 53:6, 10)
      1. All the evil came upon Jesus that all the good might come upon us (2 Cor. 5:21)
      2. God having given Jesus will not withhold anything, but also with Him will freely give us all things (Rom. 8:31–34)
   B. Supernatural grace released through the cross
      1. Christianity is not a set of rules or the Law (Gal. 3:11–12)
      2. End of all human strength and wisdom (1 Cor. 1:22–25)
      3. Strength out of weakness (2 Cor. 12:7–10; 13:4)
         a. Grace begins where human ability ends
         b. New Testament way to holiness: not struggling, but yielding—not effort, but union (Gal. 2:20; John 15:1, 4–5)
      4. Result: I can do all things through the one who empowers me within (Phil. 4:13)
   C. Supernatural confirmation of God is released (1 Cor. 2:4–5)
      1. Supernatural power brings obedience from the heart (Rom. 15:18–19)
      2. Example of ministry in Africa

– Part 2 –

I. Review
   A. Why we must keep the cross at the center
      1. Cross represents one all-sufficient sacrifice by which God has provided for every need.
      2. Through the Cross we can receive the supernatural grace we need to do what the New Testament tells us we ought to do.
      3. The Cross is the basis upon which God releases the supernatural confirmation of His Word.

II. Six Aspects of the Cross (cont’d.)
   D. Cross sole basis of the total defeat of Satan (Col. 2:13–15 [compare Luke 11:21–22])
1. God did two things through the death of Jesus to deliver us from guilt
   a. He made provision for the past
   b. He has removed the Law of Moses as the means for achieving righteousness with God
3. No condemnation (Rom. 5:1; 8:1)
4. How to overcome Satan (Rev. 12:10–11)
E. Door to God’s secret, hidden wisdom (1 Cor. 2:6–10)
   1. Paul renounces religion for revelation of Christ (Phil. 3:7–11)
   2. Way to the throne (Eph. 2:4–6)
F. Ultimate demonstration of God’s love and our value
   1. Jesus laid down His life for us (John 15:13–14)
   2. We were: (Rom. 5:6–10)
      a. Without strength
      b. Ungodly
      c. Sinners
      d. Enemies
   3. Nothing can separate us from God’s love (Rom. 8:35–39)
      a. Our value: the price God paid
      b. The merchant and the pearl (Matt. 13:45–46)