

1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5

**The Power of God:
The Simple Message of the Cross**

So, as much as is in me, *I am* ready to preach the gospel to you who are in Rome also. For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “The just shall live by faith.”

~ Romans 1:15-17

Burial Hill Cemetery, Plymouth Massachusetts



- **You are accountable to God: The accountability standard is His moral law, the Ten Commandments.**
- **You have sinned: We have all broken God's laws; we are guilty and deserving of a death sentence (eternal death/eternal dying).**
- **Christ Crucified – The debt was paid: (But God) Jesus paid the death sentence for us: He died on a cross, then He was buried in a tomb, then He rose from that tomb three days later (to defeat death). He substituted His life for ours.**
- **Your choice to receive His gift: Repent, and put your faith in Jesus, and you will be forgiven and will have eternal life!**

Scripture Meditation

1 Corinthian 2:4-5

And my speech and my preaching *were* not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.