

Hi, I'm Crawford Loritts with a Legacy Moment. As human beings, we want things to be logical, to meet our expectations or fit our frame of reference and square with our experience.

When former University of Colorado football coach Bill McCartney started Promise Keepers in 1991, some Christian leaders and folks throughout the Christian community wrote him off because he didn't come by the conventional route. He wasn't seminary trained, he wasn't a part of the system; he was a football coach. But God raised him up, and millions of men's lives have been changed because of Bill McCartney's faithfulness.

God seems to delight in accomplishing His purposes through unlikely means. Listen to these incredible words in 1 Corinthians chapter 1, verses 18 and 19; “For the word of the cross is for those who are perishing foolishness, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, ‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and the cleverness of the clever I will set aside.’”

Did you pick it up? “For the word of the cross is for those who are perishing foolishness.” Our problem is we're too familiar with the cross. The cross was the capital punishment of the time. It was reserved for murderers and thieves. Do you see the irony here? God has done something seemingly illogical. A Man who died a common criminal's death is the Savior of the world. And He uses the cross—our equivalent of a gas chamber or lethal injection or the electric chair—as the means through which people are saved. So, during the time of Paul, the wise people said, “Well, that's crazy, that's foolish, that doesn't make sense!”

Here's what I want you to remember today. Within the parameters of His Word, God does whatever He wants to do whenever He wants to do it, and it doesn't have to make sense.