

Prodigal Church

STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS

3.13.22

WHATEVER IT TAKES
1 CORINTHIANS 9
PASTOR JOSHUA BROOKS

Practicing What He Preaches

- “Though I am _____ and belong to no one, I have made myself a _____ to everyone, to win as many as possible.” (1 Cor 9:19)

Setting Aside His Rights

- “Don’t we have the _____ to _____ and drink?” (1 Cor 9:4)
- “Don’t we have the _____ to take a believing _____ along with us, as do the other apostles and the Lord’s brothers and Cephas?” (1 Cor 9:5)
- “Is it only I and Barnabas who lack the right to not work for a living? If others have this _____ of _____ from you, shouldn’t we have it all the more? But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the _____ of Christ.” (1 Cor 9:6, 12)

Paul’s Missionary Strategy

- Paul is willing to _____ his cultural preferences to the cultural preferences of whoever he’s trying to reach - “becoming _____ things to _____ people” (v22) - that he might win _____ to Christ.

➡ _____ are many, _____ are few; principles never change, methods always do!

Run to Win the Prize

- “Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the _____. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict _____. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a _____ that will last forever.” (1 Cor 9:24-25)

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Train Like Rocky!

• “Therefore, I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my _____ so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be _____ for the prize.” (1 Cor 9:26-27)

The Gospel and Mission

• The gospel is not just about personal _____; it’s about missional _____ - being willing to set aside our rights and preferences for the sake of reaching people for Christ, who set aside His rights and preferences to reach us.

Next Steps

- 1) Church: Stay _____ on what does not change: the gospel, and _____ with our preferences - for the sake of reaching people for Christ.
- 2) Individual: Build _____ with those in our sphere of influence - so that we might have an opportunity to point them to _____.



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