

Be a Winsome Servant
1 Corinthians 9:19-23
February 18, 2024

1. The purpose for which we are to make ourselves servants to all (19)

2. The people to whom we are to make ourselves servants (20-22)

3. The reason we are to make ourselves servants to all (23)

Next week: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

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Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children, but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others:

1. What stood out to you in this sermon? Why?
2. For what purpose did the apostle Paul make himself a servant to all? What does this mean?
3. In making himself a servant to all, whom was Paul like? Explain.
4. In what ways did Paul become as a Jew (verse 20)? When did he do so? Give an example from the book of Acts.
5. Did Paul live as a Jew when he went to unbelieving Gentiles with the gospel? Why or why not?
6. Paul did what he did “for the sake of the gospel” (verse 23). What does the word “gospel” mean? What is the gospel?
7. Read Philippians 2:5-8. What amazes you in this passage? Explain.
8. What does it mean to be saved (verse 22)? Have you been saved? Explain.

Going Deeper:

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking, or grow your understanding?
2. Paul says that he as a Christian is not under the law (verse 20). He also says that he as a Christian is not outside the law of God but under the law of Christ (verse 21). What do these statements mean?
3. How should this passage impact your personal evangelism?
4. What is the difference between being worldly, which we are not to be (John 17:14-19; Titus 2:12; 1 John 2:15-17; Jude 19), and what Paul exemplifies in our text?
5. What is the primary way your heart should be affected by this sermon this week? What is the primary your actions should be affected?