

## "Denying Self For The Sake Of The Gospel" Pt. 2 (1 Corinthians 9:15-23)

- I. THE CALLING AND BENEFITS OF BEING A SAINT" (1:1-9)
- II. A CALL FOR UNITY (1:10-31)
- III. UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WISDOM THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:1-16)
- IV. RESPONDING TO GOD'S WISDOM (2:14 – 4:21)
- V. ADDRESSING ISSUES (5:1-6:20)
- VI. ANSWERING QUESTIONS (7:1-16:1)

**A. Marriage** (7:1-40)

**B. Areas of Liberty** (8:1-11:1)

### 1. Principle:

- a. All believers have certain rights and certain freedoms in Christ. However, these rights should at times be forfeited for the sake of Christ and others (both believers and unbelievers) in love.
- b. An area of liberty is: An act, not sinful in itself nor specifically commanded against in Scripture, which a Christian is free to do but which may become sinful for the Christian if practiced or abused when practiced.

### 2. The Thinking Behind the Principle Explained: (v 15-23)

- a. Paul voluntarily chose \_\_\_\_\_ to use his \_\_\_\_\_ to be supported by the Corinthians
- b. Principle: The believer's desire to \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel should reflect a \_\_\_\_\_ to not use your rights for its furtherance
- c. Paul would rather \_\_\_\_\_ than not preach the Gospel for \_\_\_\_\_
- d. In 1 Corinthians 9:15-23, the word "\_\_\_\_\_" occurs four times, the word "\_\_\_\_\_" five times and the word "\_\_\_\_\_" five times.
- e. Paul preached the Gospel because He was under \_\_\_\_\_

- f. To not preach the Gospel was to receive \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Paul was entrusted with the Gospel as a \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_
- h. Paul forsook his right to financial support in order to be able to \_\_\_\_\_ the lost to Christ without \_\_\_\_\_.
- i. Paul was free from all support, therefore he could \_\_\_\_\_ himself to all

\* In what ways did Paul's self-enslavement manifest itself?

\*How does this apply to you?