

The Rights of an Apostle - 1 Corinthians 9:1-27

Topics: Believers, Discipline, Example, Judgment, Law, Perseverance, Rewards, Right, Sacrifice, Salvation, Serving

Open It

- * 1. What training is necessary for a person in your chosen profession?
- 2. What emotions do athletes usually feel on the day of a big event?
- 3. How can you be disqualified from a game or race?

Explore It

- 4. What proofs did Paul use to show that he was a genuine apostle? (9:1-2)
- * 5. What rights did Paul waive to be an apostle? (9:3-6, 12)
- 6. What case could Paul make for asserting his rights as an apostle? (9:7-11, 13-14)
- 7. What are the rights of those who preach the gospel? (9:12)
- 8. Why was Paul willing to set aside his rights? (9:12)
- 9. Why didn't Paul take full advantage of his rights? (9:12-18)
- 10. What has the Lord commanded for those who preach the gospel? (9:14)
- 11. How did Paul preach? Why? (9:16-17)
- 12. What motivated Paul to preach as he did? (9:16-17)
- * 13. What reward is there in preaching the gospel? (9:18)
- 14. Why did Paul make himself a slave to everyone? (9:19)
- 15. To what extent did Paul go to save people? (9:20-23)
- * 16. Why is it necessary to live with purpose and discipline? (9:25-27)
- 17. Why did Paul lead a disciplined life? (9:27)

Get It

- * 18. What are some of your rights and freedoms as a Christian?
- * 19. Under what circumstances should we take advantage of our rights, and when should we willingly waive them?
- 20. How can we show our love to unbelievers while refusing to participate in activity that is sinful?
- 21. Why is it helpful to adjust our actions for the people around us?
- 22. How does insisting on our rights hinder the gospel of Christ?
- 23. What right have you given up because it may have caused others to stumble?
- 24. What actions could disqualify a person from being rewarded by God for serving Him?
- 25. What should you do to be assured of finishing your life well?
- 26. How can neglecting spiritual disciplines (such as prayer, Bible study, and worship) disqualify a Christian from having an influence on unbelievers?

Apply It

- * 27. What specific rights could you waive for Christ's sake? How?
- 28. When can you make time for prayer, Bible study, and worship this week to help you train for telling others about Christ?