

## **Lesson 9**

### **1 Corinthians 9:1-27**

#### **• Questions**

1. What four rhetorical questions did Paul ask the Corinthians (9:1)?
  
2. What was the seal of Paul's apostleship (9:2)?
  
3. What four rights did Paul set forth in giving his defense to those who examined him (9:3-6)?
  
4. What three examples did Paul give to illustrate the right of one to be supported by the church (9:7)?
  
5. What OT scripture principle did Paul appeal to demonstrate the right of one to be supported by the church (9:8-11)?
  
6. What right did Paul give up when he was at Corinth (9:12-18)?
  
7. What did Paul do to gain others to Christ (9:19)?
  
8. What did Paul do to Jews, to Greeks, and to the weak to save them (9:20-23)?
  
9. What did Paul do to run the Christian's race and why did he do it (9:24-27)?

## • Digging Deeper

1. What OT scripture did Paul quote in 1 Corinthians 9:9?
2. How was Paul supported when he was at Corinth (Acts 18:1-3; 2 Cor. 11:7-9)?

## • Applications for Today

1. A Christian may have a right (liberty) to do something, but not always exercise his right under certain circumstances (9:1-6, 12, 15-18)? What Christian right (liberty) did Paul discuss in 1 Corinthians 8:9-13 (note verse 9 especially); 10:23-33; and Romans 14:1 – 15:2?
2. Ministers of the gospel have a right to be supported by the church (9:7-14)? What did Paul receive from other churches (2 Cor. 11:7-9; Phil. 4:15-18)? Who else may be supported by the church (1 Tim. 5:17-18)?
3. Let us do what we can to save others from sin without becoming sinful ourselves and without compromising any truth of the gospel (9:19-23). What are some things that Paul did to save Jews (Acts 16:3; 21:23-26), Greeks (Acts 17:22-31), and the weak (1 Cor. 8:13; 10:32-33)?
4. We need to run the Christian's race with self-control so that we are not rejected (9:24-27). What did Paul preach to Felix (Ac. 24:25)? What is self-control a sign of (Gal. 5:23) and what is a lack of self-control a sign of (2 Tim. 3:3)? What are Christians to add to their faith (2 Pet. 1:6)?