

Correction To Perfection
A Model For Evangelism
1 Corinthians 9:19-27

I. Paul's Method of Evangelism! *1 Corinthians 9:19-22a*

- A. An important, foundational insight regarding evangelism: love trumps liberties.
- B. Paul's method of evangelism was to adjust his lifestyle to the lost around him without compromising the truths of God's Word, for the purpose of sharing the gospel with them.
- C. Paul illustrates his model of evangelism with three groups of people:
1. ***1st Group: The Jews and those under the law of Moses. *1 Corinthians 9:20; Acts 16:1-3****
 2. ***2nd Group: The Gentiles. *1 Corinthians 9:21****
 - a. ***'Not being outside the law of God.'* Paul would do nothing that violate the moral standards of God's Word.**
 3. ***3rd Group: The Weak. *1 Corinthians 9:22a****
 - a. ***They are the outcasts, vulnerable, those of low social standing. *1 Corinthians 1:26-27; 4:10-13****
- D. The difference between adjusting lifestyle and compromising:
1. ***You set aside personal liberties or preferences to meet people where they're at.***
 2. ***To compromise means you set aside God's truth.***

II. Paul's Motives For Evangelism! *1 Corinthians 9:22b-27*
(3 motives)

- A. To obey Christ and fulfill his calling. *1 Corinthians 9:17*
1. ***A stewardship is a responsibility that we have to another with something of value that they have entrusted to us.***
- B. To win the lost ! *1 Corinthians 9:22b*
It takes two things to win the lost:
1. ***It takes a love for Christ.***
John 14:15; 2 Corinthians 5:14
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2. *It takes a love for the __lost__.*
John 3:16; Romans 5:8

C. To experience a special __blessing__. *1 Corinthians 9:23*

1. *When you share Jesus Christ and a person is saved, the blessing is that you share in their __joy__.*

Challenge!

When is the last time that you started your day by asking God to allow you to partner with him in what he's doing in another person's life, especially in the life of a lost person?

When is the last time you asked the Lord to show you what adjustments you needed to make in your life so that you could have a greater platform to share Christ with a lost person?

Proverbs 11:30 (NIV)

...he who wins souls is wise.