

## FEBRUARY 12, 2023 / THE FREEDOM TO SHARE YOUR FAITH / 1 CORINTHIANS 9:19-27

1 CORINTHIANS 9 IS ABOUT USING OUR FREEDOM TO SHARE OUR FAITH. IN A POST-CHRISTIAN WORLD —WHERE MANY ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT GOD AND THE BIBLE ARE NO LONGER HELD — WE NEED A NEW WAY TO ENGAGE THE SPIRITUALLY LOST IN OUR SOCIETY. HOW WAS EVANGELISM DONE BEFORE THERE WAS A SUPPORTIVE CHRISTIAN CULTURE TO WORK WITH?

## READ 1 CORINTHIANS 9:19-27.

1. How often do you share your faith with non-believers in your life?

2. What is Paul's underlying motivation for the behaviors he models here (1 Corinthians 9:22)? (see Matthew 7:13-14)

3. According to these verses, how important are relationships to the work of personal evangelism (1 Corinthians 9:19-23)?

4. What is the essential truth or challenge Paul is encouraging regarding relationships with non-believers (1 Corinthians 9:19-22)? (see Galatians 5:13)

5. What changes might you need to make to live more the way modeled here (1 Corinthians 9:24-27)?

6. Are there people in your life today with whom you want to develop a greater relationship who may not be believers?

God and Father, help me love the people in my life more in the way You do today.