GLORY REVEALED IN FREEDOM FORFEITED

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1 Corinthians 9:1-18

The Question: Is it appropriate for Paul, as a church planter and preacher, to
• The Answer:
1. Consider the example of
2. Consider the pattern of
3. Consider the teaching in
4. Consider the principle of
5. Consider the practice of
6. Consider the direction
• The Conclusion:
1. He forfeited his freedom in order to
2. He forfeited his freedom to
3. He forfeited his freedom in order to not
Have questions from today's sermon?

DISCIPLESHIP GUIDE



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C LOOK BACK

- **BLESS**: How has the Spirit of God prompted you to reach out to others in the last week or two? What actions or steps did you take?
- **Praise: Psalm 126:5-6, Proverbs 14:23:** Give praise to God for WHO He is and WHAT He has done and an affirmation of where our hope is. (How have you seen him work, answer a prayer, bless you or someone else?)
- The language of our faith is thanksgiving in all things. What difficult circumstance in your life will you, by faith, give thanks for?
- **Confession:** Have you in some way failed to take others into consideration in the exercise of your personal freedom in Christ?

LOOK IN

- Read 1 Corinthians 9:1-18. What question is Paul answering?
- What is his rationale for why ministers can be supported financially? Which reason was most compelling to you?
- How did Paul initially live in Corinth if the Corinthians did not pay him for his service? See Acts 18:1-4. What changed in Acts 18:5?
- What reasons did Paul give for forfeiting his freedom to be financially supported?
- Have you ever observed the financial support of a minister or missionary become a stumbling black to the Gospel? What happened?
- What is your understanding of what the New Testament teaches about giving to your local church? Do you think the Lord is pleased with your finical stewardship?
- What questions, concerns, or doubts do you have regarding what you have heard and read?
- How did the Holy Spirit speak through this passage to inform, remind, convict, or encourage you?
- For further study: Read these passages to deepen your understanding.
 - 1 Corinthians 16:1-4

o 2 Corinthians 9

2 Corinthians 8

o Philippians 4:10-20

LOOK FORWARD

- Closing Prayer
 - Requests: What are you asking God to do in and through you in the coming week?
 - Relinquishment: Present your body to God as an instrument to work in and through for His glory.