Resolved To Live On Mission

Proclamation Life Groups; Week of Sunday, January 9, 2022; 1 Corinthians 9:19-27; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme – If we are going to hear, "Well done my good and faithful servant", we must be resolved to live on mission and become all things to all people for the sake of the gospel so that others might receive the imperishable wreath of salvation and we not be disqualified.

I. <u>Mission Clarity – Read Matthew 28:18-20 and then answer the following questions</u>

- A. What details strike you about this interaction between Jesus and His disciples?
- B. After reading John 17:1-3, what was Jesus given the authority to do? How does the reality of His authority encourage you as you're being sent out to evangelize the world?
- C. 2 Corinthians 5:20 says that when our faith is in Jesus, "We are ambassadors for Christ." As you think about the Great Commission, how is this idea of being an ambassador helpful?
- D. How does the Great Commission highlight that what Jesus cares most about is the salvation of people's souls and the sanctification of people's lives?

II. Mission Strategy – Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23 and then answer the following questions

- A. As you review Paul's mission strategy, what is his consistent goal?
- B. Romans 5:9 says that having been justified by Christ's blood, "We shall be saved from the wrath of God to come." As you think about that reality, what actions, attitudes, and priorities would demonstrate that a person truly believes that the wrath of God is coming?
- C. What do you think it looked like for Paul "to become like a Jew in order to win Jews?" What would it look like for you to become more like the people in your life in order to win them?
- D. Where do you struggle most with accommodating people? Selfishness with your schedule? Judgmentalism? Pride? Irritation? How would you like to grow in accommodating people?

III. Mission Purpose – Read 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 and then answer the following questions

- A. According to Paul, what's at stake in having mission clarity and a biblical mission strategy?
- B. What do you think it looks like for a Christian to run the race of faith in such a way that they win the prize of eternal life? How would you like to grow in running for all your worth?
- C. How does the joy of hearing, "Well done my good and faithful servant" motivate you?