



## “Ministry Mindset”

*Sacrificial Service*  
*I Corinthians 9:1-7*

*Ministry has it’s:*

### **I. Boasts** – “the seal of my apostleship are ye” (vs. 1-2)

*It’s about the:*

- A. **Red** \_\_\_\_\_ – “am I not free?”
- B. **Rel** \_\_\_\_\_ – “have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord?”
- C. **Res** \_\_\_\_\_ “are ye not my work in the Lord?”

### **II. Behaviors** – “My answer to them that do examine” (vs. 3-6)

*It’s about our:*

- A. **Fr** \_\_\_\_\_ – “Have we not power to eat and drink?”
- B. **Fa** \_\_\_\_\_ – “Have we not power to lead about a sister, a wife?”
- C. **Fu** \_\_\_\_\_ – “Have not we power to forbear working?”

### **III. Benefits** – “eats not of the fruit thereof” (v. 7)

*It’s about:*

- A. **S** \_\_\_\_\_ – “Who goes to warfare...at his own charges?”
- B. **S** \_\_\_\_\_ – “Who plants a vineyard and eats not...thereof?”
- C. **S** \_\_\_\_\_ – “Who feeds a flock and eats not of the milk...?”

## Sentence Sermon

*“Nothing of spiritual significance comes without sacrifice.”*  
*Jerry Falwell*

## Additional Verses

- *Ephesians 2:20*
- *Acts 1:21-22*
- *I Corinthians 6:12; 10:23; 15:8*
- *I Timothy 5:17*
- *John 7:5*
- *Luke 8:20-21*
- *Acts 18:1-11*
- *Philippians 4:15-16*
- *Mark 1:30; 7:15*
- *I Timothy 4:1-5*
- *Acts 9:1-9*
- *Galatians 6:14*
- *II Corinthians 11:30*

## Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. What is Paul’s main teaching technique in this passage?
4. What is the main duty or ministry of an apostle? (Acts 1:21-22)
5. How is the Corinthian church the “seal” of Paul’s apostleship?
6. How does the context of Legalism and Liberty inform this passage?
7. What sort of sacrifices did Paul make?
8. What sacrifices can be made in order to be fruitful in ministry?
9. What are some of the unreasonable expectations of ministers?
10. What is an example from your experience of the power of sacrifice?