



## “Gospel Ministry”

*It's a Lifestyle*  
*I Corinthians 9:15-23*

### *A Lifestyle of unique:*

#### **I. Willingness** – “For if I do this thing willingly” (vs.15-17)

*Recognizing the need to be:*

- A. **Com** \_\_\_\_\_ – “for it were better for me to die?”
- B. **Co** \_\_\_\_\_ – “for necessity is laid upon me”
- C. **C** \_\_\_\_\_ – “a dispensation of the gospel is committed unto me”

#### **II. Wealthiness** – “What is my reward then?” (vs. 18-19)

*Resisting the urge of:*

- A. **A** \_\_\_\_\_ – “I make the gospel of Christ without charge”
- B. **A** \_\_\_\_\_ – “I made myself servant unto all”
- C. **A** \_\_\_\_\_ – “unto all, that I might gain the more”

#### **III. Winsomeness** – “I might by all means save some” (vs. 20-23)

*Reaching out to the:*

- A. **Dis** \_\_\_\_\_ – “unto the Jews I became as a Jew”
- B. **Des** \_\_\_\_\_ – “to them that are without the law”
- C. **D** \_\_\_\_\_ – “to the weak became I as weak”

## Sentence Sermon

***“The privilege of gospel ministry is reserved for those who reach out to people where they are and demonstrate God’s love for them.”***

### Additional Verses

- *I Timothy 2:5-6*
- *Romans 1:16*
- *Romans 9:3; 10:4*
- *Philippians 2:6-7; 3:5*
- *John 4:36*
- *I Corinthians 8:11*
- *Romans 14:1-3, 22-23*
- *Matthew 24:12*
- *Romans 12:16; 13:8-10*
- *Galatians 2:8*
- *II Corinthians 7:3-4*
- *Luke 17:10*

### 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 would make Paul's glorying void? Why?
4. Why does Paul say “woe to me” if he doesn't preach?
5. Have you ever felt compelled by God to engage in a specific ministry?
6. How committed to the spread of the gospel are most believers? Why?
7. Why was Paul so excited to give out the gospel without charge?
8. According to verse 19, what did Paul do to see more people saved?
9. What does it mean that Paul became “as a Jew?”
10. What did it look like for Paul to be “as without the law?”
11. Who are the weak mentioned in verse 22?
12. What is it that Paul “does for the gospel's sake” in verse 23?