

# Logos Class – 1 Corinthians Ch 9

On Campus class for Jan 10, 2021

# Calendar moving forward

- ✓ Dec 13 – A new day Dawns – Christmas Story 2020 Pt 1
- ✓ Dec 20 – Christmas Story 2020 Pt 2
- ✓ Dec 27 – 2020 Year-end Review
- ✓ Jan 03, 2021 – 1 Corinthians Ch 8
- ✓ Jan 10, 2021 – 1 Corinthians Ch 9
- Jan 17, 2021 – 1 Corinthians Ch 10
- Jan 23, 2021 – 1 Corinthians Ch 11
- Jan 30, 2021 – 1 Corinthians Ch 12

Our procedure of doing Zoom and class will continue until further notice

# Let's Review 2021 ...So far...

**I'd like to cancel my  
subscription to 2021.  
I've experienced the  
free 7-day trial and I'm  
not interested.**

# Key Verses in Chapter 8

1Cor 8:9-13

*<sup>9</sup> Be careful, however, that the exercise of your rights does not become a stumbling block to the weak.*

*<sup>10</sup> For if someone with a weak conscience sees you, with all your knowledge, eating in an idol's temple, won't that person be emboldened to eat what is sacrificed to idols?*

*<sup>11</sup> So this weak brother or sister, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge.*

*<sup>12</sup> When you sin against them in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ.*

*<sup>13</sup> Therefore, if what I eat causes my brother or sister to fall into sin, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause them to fall.*

# John MacArthur

## Limits on our Liberty

- *Is it excess? Do I really need it?*
- *Is it really useful to/for me?*
- ***Is this what Christ would do? (WWJD)***
- *Will it enhance my testimony to an unbeliever?*
- *Will I be stronger in Christ?*
- *Will it exalt the Lord?*
- *Will it be a loving example?*

*We don't always go through a checklist of items before we make a decision, but I think what **WWJD**, and **what is the right thing to do in Love** are good to use to gauge something.*

# 1 Cor 9:1-6 *What about our rights?*

- *9 Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not the result of my work in the Lord?*
- **2 Even though I may not be an apostle to others, surely I am to you!** For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.
- **3** This is my defense to those who sit in judgment on me.
- **4** Don't we have the right to food and drink?
- **5** Don't we have the right to take a believing wife along with us, as do the other apostles and the Lord's brothers and Cephas?
- **6** Or is it only I and Barnabas who lack the right to not work for a living?



# 1 Cor 9:7-12

*<sup>7</sup> Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat its grapes? Who tends a flock and does not drink the milk?*

*<sup>8</sup> Do I say this merely on human authority? Doesn't the Law say the same thing?*

*<sup>9</sup> For it is written in the Law of Moses: **“Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain.”** Is it about oxen that God is concerned?*

*<sup>10</sup> Surely he says this for us, doesn't he? Yes, this was written for us, because whoever plows and threshes should be able to do so in the hope of sharing in the harvest.*

*<sup>11</sup> If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you?*

*<sup>12</sup> If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more?*

*But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ*

# 1 Cor 9:13-18

<sup>13</sup> Don't you know that those who serve in the temple get their food from the temple, and that those who serve at the altar share in what is offered on the altar?

<sup>14</sup> In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel.

<sup>15</sup> But I have not used any of these rights. **And I am not writing this in the hope that you will do such things for me, for I would rather die than allow anyone to deprive me of this boast.**

<sup>16</sup> For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!

<sup>17</sup> If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me.

<sup>18</sup> ***What then is my reward?*** Just this: *that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make full use of my rights as a preacher of the gospel.*



# 1 Cor 9:19-23 ... *Paul's Use of his Freedom*

<sup>19</sup> Though I am free and belong to no one, ***I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible.***

<sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), *so as to win those under the law.*

<sup>21</sup> To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), *so as to win those not having the law.*

<sup>22</sup> To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. *I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some.*

<sup>23</sup> I do all this ***for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.***

# 1 Cor 9:24-27 ...a matter of self-discipline

<sup>24</sup> Do you not know that in a race *all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? **Run in such a way as to get the prize.***

<sup>25</sup> *Everyone who competes in the games goes into **strict training**. They do it to get **a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.***

<sup>26</sup> Therefore *I do not run like someone running **aimlessly**; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air.*

<sup>27</sup> *No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, **I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.***

# 1 Corinthians, Chapter 10 next week

- *Paul retells the stories from Israel's past to show that not only individuals but also Nations are prone to these same errors and sin*
- *He also summarizes these thoughts from Chapters 8, 9, & 10 for our understanding and action*

*Please read Ch 10 before next week*

# Next week, Jan 17, 2021

- *We will return to 1 Corinthians and pick up where we left off at Chapter 10. I may do a brief ICYMI first*
- *Pray for those we have listed*
- *Also pray for new beginnings in 2021 and a more focused year to do what God has called us each to do. Run your own race with self-discipline*
- *Hang on to your faith, since rough waters are coming.*

*God Bless each of you*