

January 31, 2021
I Corinthians 9:19-27
“No Discrimination, No Compromise”

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Paul did not discriminate or compromise in his evangelization nor should you and I, all kinds of people, only ONE TRUTH.

In **verse 27** the words “disqualified for the prize” is not in the context of salvation. Here Paul is not addressing salvation, rather, he was concerned with continuance in the race. He wanted to hear the words, well done My good and faithful servant.” What he did not want was to be cut off in the midst of the contest by the disciplinary action of God.

If a person is offended by God’s Word, that is his problem. If he is offended by biblical doctrine, standards, or church discipline, that is his problem. That person is offended by God. But if he is offended by our unnecessary behavior or practices-no matter how good or acceptable those may be in themselves-his problem becomes our problem.

Paul wrote, I do all things for the sake of the gospel. His life was the gospel. He therefore set aside anything that would hinder its power and effectiveness. *John MacArthur*

APPLICATION:

1. Be all things to all men without compromise of biblical truths.
2. Live for God. The antithesis of this is, live for self. You choose.
3. Running your spiritual race well requires discipline.
4. Do not run aimlessly. Purposely live out your Christian life.
5. Do not become disqualified, “put on the shelf” by God.