

1 Corinthians 9

A Pattern of Self-Denial

¹ Am I not an _____? Am I not _____? Have I not _____ Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my _____ in the Lord? ² If I am _____ an _____ to others, yet _____ I _____ to you. For you are the _____ of my _____ in the Lord. ³ My _____ to those who _____ me is this: ⁴ Do we have no _____ to _____ and _____? ⁵ Do we have no _____ to take _____ a _____, as *do* also the other _____, the _____ of the Lord, and _____? ⁶ Or *is it* only _____ and _____ *who* have no r_____ to _____ from _____? ⁷ Who ever goes to _____ at his own _____? Who _____ a _____ and does not _____ of its _____? Or who tends a _____ and does not _____ of the _____ of the _____? ⁸ Do I _____ these things as a _____? Or does not the _____ say the _____ also? ⁹ For it is _____ in the _____ of _____, "*You shall not _____ an _____ while it _____ out the _____.*" ^[a] Is it _____ God is _____ about? ¹⁰ Or does He say *it* _____ for our _____? For our _____, no _____, *this* is _____, that he who _____ should _____ in _____, and he who _____ in _____ should be _____ of his _____. ¹¹ If we have _____ things for you, *is it* a _____ thing if we _____ your _____ things? ¹² If others are _____ of *this* _____ over you, *are we not even* _____? Nevertheless we have not _____ this _____, but _____ things lest we _____ the _____ of Christ. ¹³ Do you not _____ that those who _____ the _____ things _____ *of the things* of the _____, and those who _____ at the _____ partake of *the* _____ of the _____? ¹⁴ Even so the Lord has _____ that those who _____ the _____ should _____ from the _____. ¹⁵ But I have used _____ of these things, _____ have I _____ these things that it should be _____ so to _____; for it *would be* _____ for me to _____ than that _____ should make my _____. ¹⁶ For if I _____ the _____, I have _____ to _____ of, for _____ is _____ upon _____; yes, _____ is me if I do not _____ the _____! ¹⁷ For if I do this _____, I have a _____; but if against my _____, I have been _____ with a _____. ¹⁸ What is my _____ then? That when I _____ the _____, I may present the _____ of Christ ^[b] without _____, that I may not _____ my _____ in the _____.

Serving All Men

¹⁹ For though I am _____ from all _____, I have _____ myself a _____ to _____, that I might _____ the _____; ²⁰ and to the _____ I _____ as a _____, that I might _____; to those *who are* _____ the _____, as _____ the _____, ^[c] that I might _____ those *who are* _____ the _____; ²¹ to those *who are* _____, as without _____ (not being _____ toward _____, ^[d] but under _____ toward _____ ^[e]), that I might _____ those *who are* _____; ²² to the _____ I became as ^[f] _____, that I might _____ the _____. I have become _____ to _____ *men*, that I might by _____ some. ²³ Now this I _____ for the _____ sake, that I may be _____ of it with _____.

Striving for a Crown

²⁴ Do you not know that those who _____ in a _____ all _____, but one receives the _____? _____ in such a _____ that you may _____ *it*. ²⁵ And _____ who _____ *for the* _____ is _____ in _____ things. Now they _____ *it* to _____ a _____, but we *for* an _____. ²⁶ Therefore I _____ thus: not with _____. Thus I _____: not as *one who* _____ the _____. ²⁷ But I _____ my _____ and bring *it* into _____, lest, when I have _____ to _____, I myself should become _____.

Footnotes:

- a. [1 Corinthians 9:9](#) Deuteronomy 25:4