

“A Lifestyle Driven by Winning...Through Losing” 1 Corinthians 9:19-27

* A Relational Commitment to Winning. Four Questions... (v. 19-23)

- A core commitment: ALL things to ALL people, by ALL means to win SOME.

- Who? Who are the unbelievers with whom I am cultivating a relationship? *Luke 15:1-2*

- What? What are the barriers that are keeping them from placing faith in Christ?
Barriers to Consider:
 - Ignorance • Fear

 - Church Damage • Shame and guilt

 - Pride • Intellectual stumbling blocks

- How? How can I intentionally address those barriers? *Luke 15:1-2*
 - *What can I do?*

 - *What can I not do?*

- Why? Evangelistic motives do not nullify sinful actions. v. 21
Intentional relationships are to be motivated by love for others not self-exultation.

* A Personal Commitment to Winning (v. 24-27)

- Living so as to be able to RUN.
 - *I must first learn to overcome the desires of my flesh.*

- Running so as to be able to WIN.
 - *I must also learn to prioritize for my life for the kingdom of God.*