

Should Paul Go?

Series: The End of the Beginning (message 3) **Date:** June 20-21, 2020

Intro

Acts 21:18-26

I. WE MUST CELEBRATE THE FRUIT OF THE GOSPEL.

II. WE NEED TO REMOVE THE LIMITS ON THE GOSPEL.

- 1 Corinthians 9:19–23

- 1 Corinthians 10:31–33

LET LOVE LIMIT YOUR LIBERTY FOR THE SAKE FO THE GOSPEL.

sermon discussion

OPENING DISCUSSION

As you start your group time today, take a few moments to share two or three things you are grateful for from this past week. Challenge your group members to take time every day to write down 3-5 things they are thankful for and then thank God, the giver of all good things.

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. What's one thing God has done in the last month that can be celebrated today? How often do you tend to reflect and celebrate the things God has done (such as the prayers He's answered)? Why do you think that is?
2. **Read Acts 21:20-25.** Why do you think unity in the church was so important to Paul that he was willing to try the plan of participating in these Jewish rites?
3. Today the church is divided along denominational, racial, and cultural lines; it is divided between wealthy churches and poor churches, traditional and progressive. What can we do to pursue unity with those who see things differently than we do? What actions can be taken to demonstrate our desire for unity?
4. **Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-21.** What two words best describe your feelings about sharing the gospel with others?
5. **Read 1 Corinthians 9:22-23.** Recall the last time you sent a greeting card. What made you select the card you sent? Why did you reject some of the others? When sharing your faith which is more important: what we say or how we say it (our approach)?
6. When have you, or when have you seen others, create an unnecessary obstacle to the gospel?
7. How can you adjust your approach to sharing the gospel to make an unbeliever you know more receptive to hearing? When have you seen someone do that?

PRAYER

MEMORIZE

*To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. **1 Corinthians 9:22** ESV*