

SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

All In with My Witness

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1 Corinthians 9:17, 19 ...I have no choice, for God has given me a sacred trust... 19 Even though I am a free man with no master, I have become a slave to all people to bring many to Christ.

- **Handle the sacred trust with great honour and responsibility.**
- **As the church, we join God at work in the world so that many can experience the kingdom of Jesus.**

John 20:21 As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you.

Where is God sending you?

1 Corinthians 9:20-22 When I was with the Jews, I lived like a Jew to bring the Jews to Christ. When I was with those who follow the Jewish law, I too lived under that law. Even though I am not subject to the law, I did this so I could bring to Christ those who are under the law. 21 When I am with the Gentiles who do not follow the Jewish law, I too live apart from that law so I can bring them to Christ. But I do not ignore the law of God; I obey the law of Christ. 22 When I am with those who are weak, I share their weakness, for I want to bring the weak to Christ. Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some.

- **Put aside personal preferences and entitlements in order to bring the Gospel to the world.**

What personal preference or entitlement do you need to let go of for the sake of the Gospel?

Big Idea: Choose to be ALL IN with your witness by trading your agenda for God's agenda.

1 Corinthians 9:23-27 I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings. 24 Don't you realize that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize? So run to win! 25 All athletes are disciplined in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize. 26 So I run with purpose in every step. I am not just shadowboxing. 27 I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified.

How do we run the race well?

- **Be disciplined so that you can run the race well.**
- **Make time for God's Word.**
- **Be intentional about prayer.**
- **Prioritize God's Mission.**
 - **In what way is God asking you to trade your agenda for His agenda?**
 - **Where is God sending you to be ALL IN with your witness?**



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1) Take some time to discuss how your IC has been and will live out the Kingdom of Jesus together.

- In what ways have we been living like family recently? How will we live out our family identity in the coming week?
- How have we lived as servants to one another or to our world this past week? What needs or opportunities to serve is God asking us to lean into?
- How have we lived on mission where we live, work, play, or went this past week? Who do we know that needs to hear the good news of Jesus?

2) How did the message resonate with you? What questions or comments did it raise for you?

3) Have you ever been 'sent' somewhere as part of a greater responsibility? How did it feel to be trusted with this responsibility and opportunity?

4) Read 1 Corinthians 9:17, 19. Do you feel as though you have been given a 'sacred trust'? How might this understanding change your perspective on your relationship with Jesus?

5) Read John 20:21. What does it mean for the church to be a 'sent' people? Do you consider yourself as someone who has been 'sent' for a greater purpose? How does this reflect our identity as a Family of Servants on Mission?

6) Read 1 Corinthians 9:20-22. What does it mean for Paul to do "everything he can to save some"? How can we "find common ground" with those we are bringing the Gospel to? Is there anything in your life that is impeding you from sharing the Good News with those around you?

7) Read 1 Corinthians 9:23-27. How can we encourage one another to be disciplined in our 'race'? Which (of the 3) action steps do you need to prioritize in order to remain disciplined as you bring the Gospel to the world?

8) Have you traded your agenda for God's agenda? Share where you see God's agenda sending you to be ALL IN with your witness. Pray for one another as you share.



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