

Community Group Questions
1 Corinthians 9:19-27
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Share a time when you've had to work to change a lifestyle behavior.

Paul contrasts living the Christian life with competing in a race or boxing in a ring. How do these metaphors relate to living as a believer?

Chuck spoke about the idea of having the gospel "rewire" our brains, developing new "muscle memory" to serve Christ. This is similar to what Paul says in Romans 12:2 about being "transformed by the renewal of our minds" in order to "discern what is good and acceptable and perfect."

How does that renewal process take place?

In what ways do you need to be renewed in order to discern the will of God rather than be conformed to this world?

Chuck recalled being struck by the connection between this passage and the players in the NCAA basketball championship "leaving it all on the court". What would it look like for us to "leave it all on the court", or running to win, financially? What holds you back? What motivates this effort?

What have been some clarifying questions in your life? Especially as related to your finances.

What would it look like for you to share your financial intentions with other people? Could you share these intentions as a small group? What fears or other barriers would have to be overcome? What would help you overcome them?

How do you need to be more forceful in resisting or cutting off the things that enflame your desires too much? Share some specific examples...and PRAY together about all this!!