

It's a Matter of Surrender



I CORINTHIANS 9:16-27



**In order for God to use me
effectively in evangelism,
there must be the element
of surrender and sacrifice.**

Surrender of the Heart



The Spirit tells me there is a ...

- Need v.16a
- Judgment to come v.16b
- Reward (but not what we think) v.17a, 18
- Responsibility v.17b

Surrender of Personal Rights



Paul gave up personal rights in the areas of ...

- Personal Heritage v.20-21
- Personal Preferences v.20-21
- Personal Identity v.22
Philippians 3:4-7, I Corinthians 2:1-5

Surrender of Personal Ambitions



- Train for one race v.27
“I discipline my body and bring it into subjection ...”
- Run one race v.24-26
“run in such a way ... competes ... fight”

Applications



1. What is the Spirit of God saying to you right now?
2. Embrace the commission
 - Ask forgiveness
 - With whom can I share the message?
 - Select an appropriate time.
 - Discipline self to do it.
 - Seek to have better knowledge.