



## **Small Group Discussion Questions**

**Following the Weekend of September 23-24, 2023**

**No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.**

### **A Life of Purpose**

**(1 Corinthians 9:24-27)**

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## **Group Interaction & Application**

Read aloud together 1 Corinthians 9:24-27.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create a curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor KJ's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

Pastor KJ points out that Paul is inspiring believers to shift from a defensive "temple" orientation to an offensive "church" orientation.

In the time since Paul first laid down this challenge, how well has the church been doing in heeding this call?

Where has the church done well in taking the offensive?

Where has it faltered?

How is the global church doing in this regard today?

Pastor KJ paints a picture in Corinth of a people who enjoy the challenge of struggle.

How well do you handle struggle?

Where does struggle motivate you?

Where does struggle hinder you?

If needed, how might you embrace struggle in a more productive way?

Many of us have committed ourselves deeply to a goal/pursuit (in our job, our hobby, our sport, our family).

How easy or difficult is it for you to commit this same type of focus and discipline to becoming the truest version of who God made you to be? Whether easy or hard, share a little about either reality.

Paul paints a vivid picture of what type of devotion he is calling Jesus' followers to – saying they should be like a boxer fighting his own body (vs. 9:27).

In what ways are you currently training yourself to be the person Jesus made you to be?

If you aspire to pull yourself out of an apathetic walk with Jesus, what initial steps could you take?

What excites you about the challenge of growing into the truest version of who Jesus designed you to be?

What, if anything, interferes with your excitement to embrace this challenge or discourages you in this pursuit?

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend's message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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