

COMISSIONAL LIVING

Making Much of Jesus *As You Go*

Practice 4: SACRIFICE

1 Corinthians 9:19-23 (ESV)

¹⁹ For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. ²⁰ To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. ²¹ To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. ²² 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. ²³ **I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.**

The fourth step to living a “comissional life” is to

If you and your family, maybe with a few close friends, were called, sent, and fully funded to go to another country and establish the gospel — to start a church and see people come to faith in Jesus — what would you immediately begin to do? What would your life consist of? How would you be with the people there?

– Caesar Kalinowski, *Transformed: A New Way of Being Christian* (p. 64)

Big Question:

What must I _____ to save some?

I must sacrifice my misguided sense of “_____”.

I must sacrifice my personal _____, even to the point of _____ if need be.

I must sacrifice my personal _____.

I must sacrifice my religious _____.

2 Corinthians 12:15 (ESV)

I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls.

What are some *specific* things I can do?

- Spend _____ with someone who gets little.
- Share _____ with someone who has little.
- _____ where the lost are.
- Find a way to _____ your neighbor.
- Be _____ and tell your salvation story.
- Open your _____.

Other:

4 challenges to sacrificial living:

The “America Dream”

Cultural _____

Personal experience as _____

Ignorance of the _____ of others

It is not through our *success* that God saves the world, but through our *sacrifice*.
He calls us first to an altar, not a platform.

- J.D. Greear, *Gaining by Losing* (p. 20)