I CORINTHIANS 9:24-27 – RUN YOUR RACE
June 23, 2020

I. What questions should we consider?
1. What is your main motivation for living?
2. What have you accomplished this year for the Lord?
3. Is it possible to run life’s race without Christ?
4. How do you stay focused on this Christian journey?
5. Do you believe there is eternal life after earthly death?
6. What impedes your ability to run life’s race?
7. Which area of your life needs more discipline?

II. What do we know about the city of Corinth?
1. Prosperous – A wealthy trade center
2. Popular – A trendy vacation destination for tourists
3. Promiscuous – A place of unrestricted sexual activity

III. What challenges did Paul endure in his life?
1. Stoned – Acts 14:19
2. Shackled – Acts 16:25
3. Shipwrecked – Acts 27
4. Snake bitten – Acts 28:3

IV. How were Paul’s letters structured?
1. Salutation – Extends greetings to the reader
2. Affirmation – Validates the readers' Christian service
3. Identification – Specifically names a problem
4. Confrontation – Challenges the problem head on
5. Instruction – Provides directions to get back on track
6. Inspiration – Motivates the reader to be Christ like
7. Benediction – Speaks a blessing over the recipients

V. Which Biblical scriptures did Paul write?
1. Romans 8:31 - If God be for us, who can be against us?
2. I Corinthians 13:11 – When I was a child, I spake as a child and I thought as a child but when I became a man, I put away childish things.
3. II Corinthians 5:17 – Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature. All things are passed away and behold all things have become new.
4. Galatians 4:13 - I can do all things through Christ
5. Galatians 5:22-23 - Fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, and faithfulness.
6. Ephesians 6:12 – For we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities, against powers, and rulers of darkness in this world, and against spiritual wickedness in high places.
7. Philippians 4:13 – I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.
8. Colossians 3:23 – And whatsoever you do, do it heartily unto the Lord and not unto men.
10. II Thessalonians 3:13 – Be not weary in well doing for you shall reap if you faint not.

VI. How should we run the Christian race?
1. Run with a heavenly GOAL in mind (v.24)
2. Run by GIVING Christ your all (v.24)
3. Run for the GLORY of God (v.25)
4. Run by GLEANING from other’s mistakes (v.25)
5. Run by seeking to GAIN your heavenly crown (v.26)
6. Run with GENUINE motives (v.27)