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Gospel Thinking, Gospel Living: All Things To All People 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

One Thing:

 As the Gospel draws us in the know God's love, the Gospel also sends us out to share that love with others

Gospel Thinking:

- 1. Paul's Aim
- vv. 22b I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some
 - A. "I have become all things to all people"
 - B. "That by all means"
 - C. "I might save some"

2. Paul's Drive

- vv. 23 I do it all for the sake of the gospel
- What is Paul's understanding of the gospel?
 - A. The wrath of God that comes against sinners
 - Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes
 - Romans 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth
 - Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death

"If this is a minor part of your thought world, if you don't think about this very much, then it will be hard for you to feel the sense of sorrow and urgency that Paul felt for the lost people around him. What we need to do is ponder the wrath of God that is coming—to meditate, think about, reflect on, mull over, turn over in our minds, and dwell on—the reality of the wrath of God. Until this figures as largely in our worldview as it did for Paul, we will not have the passion for evangelism that he had." — John Piper

B. The grace of God that saves sinners

- Philippians 2:6-8— Who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God
 a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the
 likeness of men, And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming
 obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross
- C. The privilege that we have in demonstrating God's love

Gospel Living:

- 1. Understand the urgency
- 2. Understand the privilege
- 3. Don't miss out on the blessings!