1. **1 Corinthians 9:19**
* What kind of “freedom” is Paul talking about here?
* What is the purpose of Paul making himself “a slave to all”?
* Do you see the Bishops/Priest of our Church in this role that Paul has put himself in, please explain why or why not?
1. **1 Corinthians 9:20**
* How could Paul become like a Jew (after becoming a Christian) to “win over those under the law”, please give an example of how he might have accomplished this?
1. **1 Corinthians 9:21**
* How could Paul become like “those outside the law” to “win over those outside the law”, please give an example?
1. **1 Corinthians 9:22**
* How could Paul become like “the weak” to “win over the weak”, please give an example?
* Consider all that Paul did to reach these people and state whether you believe this was an easy or difficult task for him?
* Do you do the same to reach others and bring them the gospel, please share a story of the Spirit moving you to action to bring others in if you would?
1. **1 Corinthians 9:23**
* Why does Paul work so hard to bring others to the gospel according to the scripture?
* What does Paul’s work accomplish on earth?
* **Ephesians 4:11-16**
* Does your response or thoughts regarding the previous question seem to align with the reading from **Ephesians**, explain how?
* Read **paragraphs 9-12** of the Apostolic Letter ***Laetamur magnopere*** by John Paul II.
* Share your thoughts about this section of the letter which can be found in the beginning of the **Catechism** on **page XV**.
1. **1 Corinthians 9:24-25**
* How can we “run as to win” as a Christian for Jesus Christ, please give some examples?
* How do we as Christians exercise “discipline” in our lives?
* Consider Jesse Owens, who was an extraordinary athlete who won 4 Gold medals and broke two world records, do we train ourselves as Christians with the same fervor and dedication he trained with as an athlete?
* How could we train as a Christian, just like an athlete trains for a race, what does this entail?
* An athlete wins a Title, Gold Medal, and other awards, what do we win in our race for Christ?
1. **1 Corinthians 9:26-27**
* What do you believe Paul means when he states, “I do not run aimlessly”, in other words, what does running “aimlessly” for a Christian look like?
* What is Paul’s “fear”?
* Have you ever, or do you have this same fear that he had?
* Choose your favorite verse from today’s study and share it with the group.