

Paul's Why

1 Corinthians 9:19-23- *Adam Bowers*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) What are some examples of a “what,” a “how,” and a “why” that illustrate the difference between the three?
- 2) What difference does it make to understand the “why” behind what we do?
- 3) What was the primary “why” for the Apostle Paul? How did it impact his actions?
- 4) What can we learn from Paul in applying the principle of “why,” “how,” and “what” to our lives?
- 5) In what ways do we contextualize our faith and how we do church in our current context? Are there aspects that we should consider changing to better accomplish our why?
- 6) Adam said that churches tend to progress from mission, to having ministries, to existing in maintenance mode, to becoming a monument to the past. How can we keep this from happening? How can we ensure that our mission and our “why” always stay central to the things we do?
- 7) Which of the eight upcoming “why” topics resonates with you the most and why?
 - a) Why Jesus?
 - b) Why Church?
 - c) Why Worship?
 - d) Why Community?
 - e) Why Obey?
 - f) Why Give?
 - g) Why Love?
 - h) Why Serve?