

國王諾頓浸信會

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「活出基督在我生命中的呼召」。

歡迎

聖詩 MP 109 以許多冠冕加冕他

經文：以賽亞書 61 章（頁748）

禱告

兒童講座

合唱 MP 389 耶穌，祢正在改變我

MP 795 你放下你的威嚴

注意事項：

禱告時間及主禱文

誦讀：哥林多前書 9:19-27（頁1150）

聖詩：只有聖潔的神（在佈告頁上）3:30

講道：「活出基督在我生命中的呼召」。

聖詩 178 偉大的福音，我們榮耀的神的福音

禱告

結束

禱告

• 星期一，在小學，Doortje 正要擺放椅子，這時幾個熱情的孩子衝進門來，「這是我們的工作」。你還記得在學校時，老師叫你做某件事嗎？例如收拾書本、搬動桌子或擺放椅子？你欣喜若狂地跳了起來，因為老師選擇了你，你迫不及待地想要完成老師要求你做的事情。在十字軍，當我們提到「聖經」時，他們渴望被選中去取聖經。

這就是基督呼召你時會發生的事。在此之前，你只是眾多奔波於人生道路、做著自己想做的事情的人之一——然後，他選擇了你，他呼召你放下一切，跟隨他，他有事要你去做，一件比這更好、好得多、好得多的事。

那些加利利的漁夫，或是那個貪婪的稅吏，都是如此，他們撇下一切，跟隨了耶穌。

每個基督徒也是如此。基督徒有明確的呼召——當呼召來臨時，他們不可能不知道。同樣，聽到呼召卻停滯不前，也是不可思議的。那樣就是聽不到呼召。保羅非常清楚他的呼召。

Kings Norton Baptist Church

Sunday 29th June 2025 10 am

“Living out Christ’s call on my life”.

Welcome

Hymn MP 109 crown him with many crowns

Scripture Isaiah 61 (page 748)

Prayer

Children’s talk

Chorus MP 389 Jesus you are changing me

MP 795 You laid aside your majesty

Notices:

Prayer time & Lord’s prayer

Reading 1 Corinthians 9:19-27 (page 1150)

Hymn Only a Holy God (on the bulletin sheet) 3:30

Sermon “Living out Christ’s call on my life”.

Hymn Praise 178 Great is the gospel of our Glorious God

Prayer

Close

Prayer

- When at the Junior school on Monday Doortje was just about to put out some chairs when some enthusiastic children burst through the door, ‘That’s our job’. Do you remember at school when a teacher called you to do something; maybe collect up the books, move a table or put out some chairs? You jumped up overjoyed that the teacher had chosen you, and you were all too eager to do what was asked of you. At Crusaders when we mention ‘Bibles’ they are keen to be chosen to go to collect them.

This is what happens when Christ’s call comes. Before that you are one of many running through life doing what you want to do - and then He chooses you, he calls you to leave all that behind and follow Him, he has something for you to do, something far better, far, far better.

So it was with those Galilean fishermen, or that greedy tax collector, they left everything – and followed Jesus.

So it is with every Christian. A Christian has a clear calling - and when it comes it is inconceivable that he or she would not know it. It’s also inconceivable that having heard the call you should just stay where

哥林多前書 1 保羅，奉神的旨意，蒙召作耶穌基督的使徒。羅馬書 1:1 保羅...蒙召作使徒，特為神的福音分別為聖。

每個基督徒都被呼召，被呼召出去服事基督的旨意。教會就是被祂「呼召出去」的人，這就是「教會」一詞的意思。

□ 今天早上的題目是「活出基督在我生命中的呼召」。x2 我們這裡有三個部分：呼召——計畫——以及迫切性。x2

基督為我們每個人安排了一項工作。以弗所書 2:10，而這份工作就是福音工作。我們要為他作見證——這就需要傳揚福音。

這意味著要傳揚絕大多數人所不知道的事。大多數人根本不知道，他們對拯救恩典的福音一無所知。你知道，基督呼召你去告訴他們。

孩子們不知道。學校不會告訴他們，他們的父母也不會告訴他們，那麼誰會呢？但他們必須知道，而你我的工作就是讓他們知道。主的旨意是每個人都應該知道——祂呼召你來告訴他們。

你要告訴他們什麼呢？簡單的福音，那就是透過基督以及祂在十字架上所做的一切，一個男人或女人，男孩或女孩都可以從審判中得救，來到神面前，永遠與神和好。

上週一學校集會前，一個男孩走到我們面前問：「我要如何親近神？」我告訴他答案是十字架。他以前不知道，現在知道了，所以憑藉這些知識，他可以進入神的國。這就是好消息，這就是救恩的福音。透過這信息，死人可以復活。福音是生命的鑰匙，每個被耶穌拯救的人都得到了這把鑰匙，好讓你為他人打開大門。

你拿著鑰匙。你擁有他們迫切需要的東西。你能看到那些尚未得救的人的真實狀態嗎？他們正被關在死牢裡，被鎖鏈鎖著——就像我們曾經一樣——走向毀滅。

下議院外的議會廣場是示威遊行的場所；反對脫歐、反對塑膠垃圾、拯救加薩、反對伊朗核武器，他們都在傳播他們的訊息——但我們有兩倍於此的訊息，我們怎能保持沉默。

這世上的人們自以為自由，他們帶著各種計畫和算計在世界各地遊蕩。不，這個世界不是一個巨大的主題樂園，不是冒險樂園，不是宜家，也不是大型遊樂場。

you are. That is to not hear the call. **Paul was very clear about his call.**

1 Cor 1 **Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God.** Rom 1:1 **Paul,... called to be an apostle and set apart for the Gospel of God**

Every Christian is called up, called out to serve Christ's purposes. The church is His 'called out' people that's what the word church means.

➤ **The title this morning is "Living out Christ's call on my life". x2 We have three parts here: the call - the plan - and the urgency. x2**

Christ has a work for each of us to do. Eph 2:10 and that work is a gospel work. We are to be His witnesses – and that involves speaking.

It means speaking of something of which the vast majority are ignorant. Most people just don't know, they know nothing of the Gospel of saving Grace. You know it and Christ has called you to tell them.

Children don't know. The school won't tell them, their parents don't tell them so who will? But they must know and it is your and my job to make them know. It's the Lord's will that everyone should know – and he has called you up to tell them.

And what are you to tell them? The simple gospel, that is that through Christ and what he did on the cross a man or woman, boy or girl can be saved from the Judgment to come and be right with God – forever.

Before the school Assembly last Monday a boy came up to us and asked the question, "how can I be close to God" The answer I told him is the cross. He didn't know, now he does, and so with this knowledge he can enter the kingdom of God. This is the Good News, this is the Gospel of salvation. Through this message the dead can live. The Gospel is the key to life, and everyone who has been saved by Jesus has been given this key, that you may open the door to others.

You hold the key. You have what they desperately need. Can you see the true state of those not yet saved? They are on death row, they are chained - As we once were - and heading for destruction.

Parliament Square outside the House of Commons is the place for demonstrations; anti-Brexit, anti-plastic waste, save Gaza, Iran against nuclear weapons, they are all spreading their message - But we have THE message x2, how can we remain silent.

People in this world think they are free, they wander around the world with all their planning and scheming. **No, this world is not one big theme**

很快，他們就會走到生命傳送帶的盡頭，倒在一位對罪惡感到憤怒的聖潔上帝面前。上帝將一如既往地公正行事，這意味著他們將受到永恆的懲罰。

只有透過福音，他們才能從罪惡的鎖鏈中解脫出來。傳揚耶穌，你就打開了門。當門打開時，迷失的人才能進來。你手裡拿著鑰匙，耶穌已經把它交給你了。

- 在倫敦地鐵上，我看到一個男人一臉困惑。當我走向他時，他轉過身來問我：「我能幫幫他嗎？」他迷路了，走錯了地方，走錯了方向，其實也不知道自己要去哪裡。我帶他去了那個地方，並指示他上了正確的火車。

你我必須盡我們所能幫助迷失的人找到方向——這就是施洗約翰來的目的，他要修直道路，除去障礙。我們絕不能做任何事阻止他們進入永生。

所以我們來到了第19節：我雖然自由，不屬於任何人，但我甘願作眾人的奴僕，為什麼呢？為了盡可能贏得別人。 x2

- 傑里米·馬歇爾，英國歷史最悠久的私人銀行前首席執行官，《苦難中的盼望》一書的作者，他向我們提出挑戰：「你的信仰是否在不知不覺中就變成了你的全部？你覺得自己沒有資格分享福音。然而，傳福音正是我們在大使命中蒙召去做的。」（第45頁）

真正的自由不是做我想做的事，那是奴役，而是做造物主上帝要我做的事。基督正是為此釋放了祂的子民。當子民從埃及的奴役中被釋放出來，他們才能夠以應有的方式敬拜和服事上帝。

耶穌在客西馬尼園向祂的父呼喊：「不要成就我的意思，只要成就祢的旨意」。同樣，我們祂的子民也說：「不要成就我的意思，只要成就祢的旨意。」這就是基督住在我們裡面的標誌，「我」被「你」取代。

保羅向我們表明，當基督呼召我們服事祂和祂永恆的旨意時，一切都應該交託給祂。任何事情都不應阻礙它。在前文中，保羅放棄了教會支持的權利，以確保福音工作不受任何阻礙。

策略

我們必須清楚呼召，也必須清楚規劃。保羅非常清楚自己要做什麼，他在這裡告訴我們他的策略。

park, no it's not an adventure playground, it's not Ikea, nor is it one big amusement arcade.

Soon they will come to the end of the conveyer belt of life and fall before a Holy God who is angry at sin. God will act justly, as he always does, and that means eternal punishment will be metered out to them.

It is only through the gospel that they can be released from their chains of sin. Speak about Jesus and you open the door. When it is open those lost may enter. You hold the key, Jesus has given it to you.

- On the London Underground I saw a man looking confused, As I went towards him he turned to me 'could I help him?' He was lost, in the wrong place, going in the wrong direction and actually didn't really know where he was going. I showed him the place and set him off on the right train with instructions.

You and I must do all we can to help the lost find their way – That is what John the Baptist came to do, to straighten the way, to remove the obstacles. We must not do anything to hinder them from entering life.

So we arrive at v19 **Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, and why? to win as many as possible.** x2

- Jeremy Marshall Former CEO of Britain's oldest private bank and author of 'Hope in the face of suffering' challenges us saying: "Has your faith become all about you without you realizing it? You feel unqualified to share the gospel. Yet, doing so is exactly what we are called to do in the Great Commission" (p45)

True freedom is not to do what I want, that is slavery, but to do what God my maker made me to do. It is for this that Christ frees his people. When the people were freed from slavery in Egypt and taken out, they were then, and only then, able to worship and serve God as they should.

Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane cried to His Father "**not my will but yours be done**". So too we His people say not my will, but your will. That is the sign of Christ living in a person the 'I' is replaced with 'you'

Paul shows us that when Christ calls us to serve Him and His eternal purposes - everything should be given over to it. Nothing should get in the way of it. In the previous passage Paul had surrendered his right to support from the Church that nothing should hinder Gospel work.

Strategy

20 對猶太人，我就作猶太人，為要得猶太人；對律法以下的人，我雖然不在律法以下，卻作律法以下的人，為要得律法以下的人。關鍵在於我們要親近周遭的人，成為我們想要接觸的人的樣子。保羅的策略不是「要嘛接受，要嘛放棄」。我們不會像耶和華見證人那樣，漠不關心、消極被動地站在街上。誰會來拿傳單？你看到什麼了嗎？沒有。

耶穌離開天上，成為人的樣式，成為與我們一樣，正如約翰所說，祂是我們聽見、親眼看見、仔細看過、親手摸過的（約翰一書 1:1）。他豈不是罪人的朋友嗎？正如希伯來書2章所說：「使人分別為聖的，和被分別為聖的，是同屬一族的。希伯來書 2:11

耶穌是為萬民而來，我們被告知，祂生在律法之下，為要救贖律法之下的人。加拉太書 4:4

如果耶穌如此行，那麼我們也應該如此行。他從未成為罪人，但他與罪人混雜；他從未成為法利賽人，但他與他們辯論，說他們的話。

如果你心中有對主的愛，你就會愛失喪的人，而這份愛會用行動表現出來。沒有基督徒可以無動於衷。愛的反面不是恨，而是冷漠。

保羅身為基督徒，不再有義務遵守那條律法。加拉太書 2:11及後續章節。他對福音非常清楚，但當他在猶太人中間時，他行事為人卻像個猶太人，他甚至遵行了摩西律法的幾項誡命——不是為了得救，而是為了建立橋樑：例如，為了猶太人，他吩咐提摩太要受割禮，他在耶路撒冷行潔淨自己的禮，在堅革哩剃了頭，遵守他們的安息日，並且律法所禁止的某些食物；為什麼呢？因為祂要讓他們看見祂關心他們－祂愛他們，以至於祂要一點一點地贏得他們；帶領他們歸向基督，使他們不再依賴自己的義，而是單單信靠基督。使徒行傳 16:3；18:18；21:26。

保羅是自由的，不受他人標準的約束，但他願意讓自己成為所有人的奴隸，順從他們的習慣——只要不違背真正的原則——盡可能地贏得更多人對基督的得救信心。

但是，我們認識的那些沒有宗教背景的人呢？21 對沒有律法的人，我就作沒有律法的人。然而，我不是沒有神的律法，而是在基督的律法之下。是的，我們總是在基督的權柄之下，但必須準備好效法非猶太人的做法，以便贏得那些沒有律法的人。

We must be clear about the call, and we must be clear about the plan. Paul is very clear about what he is about, here he tells us his strategy.

20 To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law though I myself am not under the law, so as to win those under the law. The point is we are to draw close to those around and become like those we wish to reach. Paul's strategy is not 'take it or leave it'. **We do not stand on the street disinterested and passive like a Jehovah's Witness. Who comes up and takes a leaflet? Did you see anyone. No.**

Jesus left heaven and took on the form of a man to become like us, as John said he was one **we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched** 1 John 1:1. Was He not the friend of sinners? As Hebrews 2 says: **The one who makes men holy** is of the same family **as those who are made Holy** Heb 2:11

Jesus who came for all peoples was we are told **born under the law to redeem those under the law** Gal 4:4

If Jesus did that – then we are to do the same. He never became a sinner, but he mixed with sinners, he was never a pharisee but he was there reasoning with them, speaking their language.

If love for the Lord is in your heart then you will love the lost, and that love will show in action. No Christian can be indifferent. The opposite of love is not hate, but indifference.

Paul as a Christian was no longer obliged to keep that law. Gal 2:11f. He was very clear about the gospel but when he was among Jews he acts as a Jew, he even did a few things that the Mosaic law said - not to be saved but to bridge build: for example for their sakes he told Timothy to be circumcised, he purified himself at Jerusalem, he shaved his head at Cenchrea, he observed their sabbath, and abstained from some sorts of food forbidden in the law; and why? So that they would see he cared for them - and he loved them enough that little by little he would gain them; bring them over to Christ, and off of a dependence upon their own righteousness, to put their trust in Christ alone. Acts 16:3; 18:18; 21:26.

Paul was free and not bound by the standards of others, yet he is prepared to make himself a slave to all, and conform to their habits, -providing no real principle is compromised, - to win as many as possible to saving faith in Christ.

But what about the many we know who aren't from a religious background? **21 To those not having the law I became like one not having the law though I am not free from God's law - but am under Christ's law.** Yes

22 對軟弱的人，我就作軟弱的人，為要贏得軟弱的人。對什麼樣的人，我就作什麼樣的人，無論如何，總要救些人。

不，我們從不在基督教原則上妥協；但如果我要贏得別人，我必須完全犧牲自己的利益和喜好。

問問自己：「我是否願意犧牲自己的處事方式、外貌、言談舉止和行為舉止，以便融入周圍的人，並看到一些人得救？你是否注意到「一切」？我向什麼樣的人就作什麼樣的人，總要盡一切可能救一些人。

這意味著我和你們中的一些人需要改變！耶穌的生活和作為不代表人們會聽祂說話嗎？他們聽祂說話，不是因為他們能看見祂是怎樣的人，以及祂是如何愛他們的嗎？

- 無家可歸的人在街上聽福音，因為他們看見主的子民愛他們，與他們交往，在無家可歸者中心花時間陪伴他們。這打開了他們的耳朵。

我們是基督的香氣，是周遭人的「氣味」。當你靠近某人時，他們不僅能看到你，還能聞到你的氣味。

- 你家裡有空氣清新劑嗎？那個放在電源插座上的小瓶子會慢慢地讓房間充滿令人愉悅的香味。在這個充滿腐爛和死亡氣息的世界裡，基督徒是基督的馨香之氣。宣講上帝的真理，這馨香之氣會四處瀰漫。

而基督的馨香之氣，會因受苦的基督徒而更加濃鬱。

- 你感到崩潰嗎？那麼請記住，草藥被碾碎時，才會散發出最濃鬱的香氣。

- 你感到心碎嗎？然後，就像那個從塑膠容器中取出摔在地上的瓶子一樣，突然間，不僅是房間，整個房子，甚至外面都充滿了最甜美的香氣。

- 耶穌主要與猶太人交往，也是外邦人的光。他遇見了義大利百夫長和敘利亞腓尼基婦女。耶穌以不同的方式，與他們息息相關。他說的話與他們息息相關，適用於他們。這是對他們愛的象徵。他使用見證式、邀請式或富有同情心/熱情好客的方式。

他與人講道理，有時也與人對抗，他警告人們

- 伯明罕的莊園裡出現了許多教堂。我們會認為這是好事。並非總是如此。事實上，很多時候，非洲教會裡的女性衣著光鮮，男性西裝革履，卻絲毫不費力融入這些主要由白人工人階級和非工人階級組

we are always under the authority of Christ, but must be prepared to conform to the practice of non-Jews so as to win those not having the law. 22 To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some.

No, we never compromise on Christian principles; but I must sacrifice my own interests and preferences completely, if I am to reach others.

Ask yourself, “am I willing to sacrifice my way of doing things, how I look, how I speak, what I do so as to get in with those around and see some saved? Did you notice the ‘all’ I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. v23 I do all this why? for the sake of the gospel Move in close to others that they can see your life at close quarters. Live that life that commends the words you say.

That means I and some of you need to change things! Didn't Jesus' life and actions mean people listened to what he said? Didn't they listen to him because they could see what he was like and how he loved them?

- Homeless folk listen to gospel in the street because they have seen the Lord's people love them, mix with them, give time to them at the Homeless Centre. That opens ears.

We are the aroma of Christ, the 'smell' of Christ to those around. When you are close to someone they not only see you - but can smell you.

- Do you have an air freshener in the house?, that little bottle on the power socket slowly filling the room with a pleasant scent.

In a world that smells of rot and death Christians are the aroma of Christ. Speak God's Truth and the sweet smell spreads out everywhere.

And Christ's aroma is even stronger through suffering Christians.

- Do you feel crushed? Then remember it is when herbs are crushed that they give out their strongest smell.
- Do you feel broken? Then like that bottle taken out of its plastic container and smashed on the floor, suddenly not just the room but the house, and outside is filled with the sweetest fragrance.

Jesus who related mainly to Jews was also the light to the gentiles. He met the Italian Centurion, the Syro-phenician woman. Jesus related differently, relevantly, to who they were. What he said was pertinent to them, applicable to them. A sign of love to them. He used a testimonial style, or invitational, or a compassionate / hospitable approach. He

成的社區。他們通常都是從外面開車進來的。（警告）

• 與教會領袖交談，他們說他們的教會是面向所有人的，「所有人」都歡迎。但他們究竟有多受歡迎呢？他們的禮拜儀式太非洲化了，以至於沒有一個英國男人或女人會去。我記得曾與一位菲律賓教會領袖交談，他的教會位於一個社區裡，他說他想歡迎當地人。禮拜儀式是為菲律賓人設計的，而且是用他加祿語進行的！香港教會也是如此，用粵語進行禮拜。即使在社交方面，一個英國人如何融入以緊密聯繫的飲食文化？這與保羅在這裡所展現的截然相反。

那麼，KNBC 呢？在我們多元文化的融合中，我們在多大程度上展現了愛，並包容了彼此的差異？我們應該做出哪些改變，才能確保走進來的人能理解正在發生的事情？是風格問題嗎？我們如何適應信徒的文化？非信徒又該如何呢？我們的聚會主要面向聖徒，也歡迎信徒來訪，但我們並非只提供「注重慕道友的聚會」。

• 我能想到許多宣教士，其中一位在當地買了房子，學習他們的語言，與他們一起生活。戴德生穿著中國服裝，說普通話。我還能想到另一位宣教士，他住在高牆環繞的大房子裡，開著一輛皮卡車，把他的文化帶到了這裡。

□ 主啊，求祢賜給我對遠近親屬的愛與關懷。

• 多年前，這裡的一位男士學習園藝，以便能夠與母親建立聯繫。

23 凡我所行的，都是為福音的緣故，為要與人同得這福音的好處。是的，把福音拿出來，你就會分享它的祝福。

最後是緊迫性

我們已蒙召，我們知道該做什麼，現在保羅又多次教導我們該如何做。24 豈不知在場上賽跑的都跑，但得獎賞的只有一人嗎？你們要這樣奔跑，好叫得著獎賞。僅次於奧運的地峽運動會，每三年在哥林多舉行一次，吸引了大批觀眾。獲勝意味著被希臘公眾銘記。25 所有參加比賽的人都經過嚴格的訓練。他們這樣做是為了得到一個不會長久的冠冕；但我們這樣做是為了得到一個永遠長存的冠冕。訓練中的運動員體現了嚴格自律的必要性，這是每個希臘人都熟悉的景象。每個運動員，字面意思是“每個經受痛苦折磨的人”，都在凡事上保持自製，不僅放棄不健康的享樂，甚至放棄那些容易使身體

reasoned with people or was at times confrontational, He warned people

- Many churches have appeared on the estates of Birmingham. That we would think of as being a good thing. Not always. In fact many times there have been Africa churches with highly dressed up women, smartly suited men who make no effort to fit in with those around on these mainly white working and non-working class estates. Often they would all drive in from outside. (Caveat)
- Talk to the church leaders and they say their church is for everyone, 'everyone' is welcome. But how welcome are they? A service that is so very African that no English man or woman would go. I remember speaking to a Filipino church leader whose church was on an estate, he spoke of wanting to welcome locals. The service was designed for Filipinos and in Tagalog! It is the same with the Hong Kong church with services in Cantonese. Even socially how would a Brit fit in with close nit food based culture. No that is opposite to what Paul is showing here.

What about KNBC with our mixture of cultures how much are we acting in love and accommodating our differences? What should we change to make sure those walking in can relate to what is going on? Is it style? How do we to accommodate the culture of believers? And what of nonbelievers? Our meetings are primarily for the saints, the believers visitors are welcome but we are not all about “seeker sensitive services”

- I can think of a number of missionaries, one person bought a house among the people, learned their language and lived along side them. Hudson Taylor wore Chinese clothes and spoke Mandarin. I can think of another who lived in large house with a high wall, drove a pick-up truck and brought his culture with him
- Lord give me a loving concern for others, those far and those near.
- Man here years ago learned about gardening so as to be able to relate to his mother.

23 **I do all this for the sake of the gospel, - that I may share in its blessings.** Yes, take the Gospel out and you will share in its blessings.

Lastly the urgency

We have had the call, we know what to do and now how much Paul says how we should do it. 24 **Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize.** The Isthmian Games, second only to the Olympics, were held every 3 years in Corinth, and drew immense crowds. To win was to be

或意志鬆弛的正當職業。希臘運動員為了一個樹葉花環，準備進行長達10個月的訓練。基督徒的獎賞豈不更值錢嗎？這獎賞是永不朽壞的（提摩太後書 4:8）

• 我們都見過那些進行瘋狂嚴格訓練的人——馬拉松運動員、鍛鍊、節食、堅持不懈等等。

26 所以，我奔跑，不像無定向的；基督徒奔跑，不像無定向的，不知跑道在哪裡，也不知道終點在哪裡。我鬥拳，不像打空氣的，也不像打影子拳的，無目的地攥著拳頭打空氣（提摩太後書 14:9）。

27 我是攻克己身，叫身服我，恐怕我傳福音給別人，自己反被棄絕了。

保羅意識到他必須，可以這麼說，用鞍馬（pumpmelon）攻擊自己。希臘文：『打黑眼圈』他的身體，並制服它；也就是說，他必須在各方面都管好自己。這樣，包括他自己在內的許多人才被基督所贏得。

誰在掌控誰？是你的身體掌控你？還是你掌控你的身體？是時候表明誰才是老大，而不是讓我的身體統治我了。

總結

1. 呼召—基督徒肩負著崇高的使命。每個在基督裡的人都應願意效法耶穌、保羅以及其他許多人，那就是甘願成為眾人的僕人，放棄你的特權，活出僕人的樣式；像僕人一樣勞作，並像僕人一樣取悅你的主人；使他人得自由。

2. 計畫—保羅所說的策略很簡單，我們要盡一切努力，效法每個人，儘管彼此不同，好讓他們來到耶穌基督面前，並透過祂找到生命。

• 例如，購買 Aero、Milkybar、KitKat、Quality Street、Smarties、Toffee Crips、Rolo、Munchies、Yorkie、Snickers 等，無論你買哪一款，你購買的都是雀巢產品。

3. 努力—真正的信徒熱愛福音，並願意全心全意地順服福音。

這個邪惡的世界即將消逝，所有作惡的人也將隨之滅亡。一個新世界即將到來，藉著基督的復活，它的光明已經照進這個黑暗的世界。橋頭堡已經建立。唯一能拯救人的信息，正由主忠心的子民傳遍世界各地。這是對每位基督徒的呼召。你是否竭盡全力？你是否在跟那些死囚交朋友？你是否在用你充滿愛的雙臂擁抱他們，願他們也能與你一同進入基督完美的新世界。主必帶領我們凱旋而歸（哥林多

immortalized by the Greek public. 25 **Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last for ever.** The need for rigid self-discipline is illustrated by athletes in training, a familiar sight to every Greek. Every athlete, literally 'every one that agonizes', exercises self-control in all things, giving up not only unhealthy pleasures, but even legitimate occupations if they tend to make body or will flabby. Greek athletes were prepared to carry out the 10-month training for a mere wreath of leaves. How much more worthwhile the Christian's prize! A prize that is imperishable 2 Tim. 4:8

- We have all seen those who go into insanely strict training - the marathon runner, exercise, diet determination, perservering etc

26 **Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly;** The Christian does not run aimlessly as if unaware of the course or where the finishing post is. **I do not fight like a man beating the air.** Nor is he like a shadow-boxer, beating the air fist clenched with no purpose 14:9.

27 **No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize."**

Paul realizes he must, so to speak, pommel himself. Gk. 'give a black eye to' his body and subdue it; i.e. he must be master of himself in every department. So that many including himself will be won for Christ.

Who is running who? Is you body running you? - or you your body? It is time to show who is boss and not let my body rule me.

To summarise

1. **The call** – A Christian has a high calling. Everyone in Christ is to be willing to do as Jesus did and Paul did and many others have and that is make yourself a servant to all, to give up your privileges and live as a servant; labour as a servant, and as a servant please your master; - that others may be made free.
2. **The plan** - The strategy says Paul is simple, using all means we will be like any and every person in all their differences so that they may come to one person - Jesus Christ and find life through Him.
- For an example buy an Aero, Milkybar, KitKat, Quality Street, Smarties, Toffee Crips, Rolo, Munchies, Yorkie, Snickers etc and whichever one you buy, you are buying a Nestle product.
3. **The effort** - True believers love the gospel and will ourselves fully to it.

<p>後書 2:14) 。當我們走向榮耀時，讓我們也帶領他人到那裡。得靈魂的，是有智慧的。完</p>	<p>This evil world is soon to pass away, and all who do evil will perish with it. A new world is coming, it's light has already burst into this dark world through the resurrection of Christ. A bridgehead has been made. The only message that saves is being taken across the world by the Lord's faithful people. It is the calling upon every Christian. Are you doing your utmost? Are you befriending those on death's row? Are you putting your loving arms around them that they too will come with you into Christ's new perfect world. The Lord will lead us in triumphal procession 2 Cor 2:14. And as we head to Glory let us lead others there too. He who wins souls is wise.</p> <p>END</p>
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