

in v. 16: "Woe to me if I do not preach the ~~Gospel~~ Gospel."

He is talking to preachers particularly though to all Christians also. Vv.19-27 there is particularly presented this message to preachers. But for our purposes it will be fitting to read the last half of the section first. So we will begin with v.24: "Do you not know that in a race all the racers run, but only one gets the prize. Run in such a way as to get the prize. Now only one gets the prize, and if you have done your best, trust in the Lord and don't worry. But run in such a way as to get the prize. Run in such a way that if you don't get the prize it won't be your fault for not getting the training. It won't be your fault for not putting yourself into the task as you should. It was not your fault for not thinking how to do it in the best way to accomplish it. It was not your fault because you frittered away your time because(?) of getting to the work the Lord had ~~now~~ called you and doing it effectively. Run in such a way as to get the prize.

And the Lord will have a prize for you(?) whether you finish first or whether you come dragging in at the end because there are those running ahead of you to whom the Lord gave far greater gifts than He gave to you. That is in the Lord's hands. For those results you are to trust Him. But you are to run in such a way as to get the prize.

Everyone who goes into _____ the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last. We do it to get a crown that will last forever. "Therefore I do