

gone as a pastor to a church. This man loved to go fishing but the people in the church thought it was sinful to go fishing. So he never went fishing. This man said, I felt it was my duty to go fishing to show them it was perfectly all right for a Christian to go fishing! I think it's silly to think a Christian should not go fishing. I think that in most matters of the ordinary conduct of life, there is a tremendous difference in life-styles and I don't believe the Lord wants us to be criticizing others on this basis. But I think that Paul would have said to him, Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone/as many as possible. And where you find prejudices and where you find silly ideas. Where you find attitudes that are without foundation it may be that in the course of your ministry you can change those attitudes, but that's not the way to begin service in a church. It may not be the way to do in the church.

The question isn't what is your way of operating, what is what you think you should do, the question is, How can I reach people for Christ? How can I run, so as to win the prize. Paul said, Though I am free I made myself a slave to everyone to win as many as possible. To the Jews I became like a Jew to win the Jews; to those under the law I became like those under the law though I myself am not under the law so as to win those that were under the law. To those not having the law I became like those not having the law. So I am not _____ of God's law but am under Christ's law.