SERIOUS ABOUT SERVING GOD: 2ND. Corh. 1:12

Intro: Three questions every believer should ask themselves

HAVE I LOST:

1. My Sincerity? - Phil. 1:16
   a. When sincerity is lost there is no will to serve God

   a. When single mindedness is lost there is no want to serve God

3. My Saltiness - Matt. 5:13
   a. When saltiness is lost there is no way to serve God

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Paul’s Seriousness About Serving God Was manifested by

1. The body that he buffeted – 1st. Corh. 9:27
   a. His fear was valid – 1st. Corh. 9:27
   b. His fight was victorious – 2nd. Tim. 4:7

2. The Bible that he believed – Rom. 1:16
   a. Paul stood for the gospel – Phil. 1:17

3. The believers that he blessed - Acts 20:36-38
   The church at Ephesus was blessed by
   a. Paul’s teaching – Acts 20:20
   b. Paul’s tears – Acts 20:21

4. The burdens that he bore - Rom. 1:14 – Paul had a burden for
   a. The salvation for the sinner - Rom. 9:3, 10:1
   b. The spirituality of the saints - Heb. 5:11 – 6:1