

## Disqualified

By Kevin Cauley

"But I discipline my body and bring *it* into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified" 1 Corinthians 9:27.

When a person is disqualified, he has not met the minimum requirements to participate in something. In 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, Paul is talking about how being a Christian is like participating in sporting activities like running and boxing. If one has not sufficiently trained himself, he will not be able to compete and earn the crown of victory. He concludes that he must bring his body into subjection so that he will not be disqualified himself. How could the apostle Paul have been disqualified?

He could have been disqualified by not exercising his faith. In the very next chapter, he discusses how the children of Israel failed to exercise their faith and consequently fell in the wilderness. He concludes, "Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). He knew that he was subject to that warning also. That was why he practiced self-discipline.

He could have been disqualified by not exercising self-control. Paul made it clear that sin was not to reign in our bodies. In Romans 6:12, he wrote, "Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts." One must practice self-control, one of the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:23). Lack of self-control leads to fulfilling the works of the flesh, and those who practice such will not inherit the kingdom of God. They will be disqualified.

Not everyone will be qualified to enter heaven. Jesus said that only a few would (Matthew 7:14) and that the lawless would not (Matthew 7:23). We must be faithful if we expect to receive the crown of life (Revelation 2:10).

## Things you should know about!

We would like to send donations to the Disaster Relief Fund quarterly. If you want to contribute, mark it as "DRF" or give the money to Jason.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sharon DeSarro 11/1

Caroline Stine 11/5

Chris McGiffin 11/5

Linda Whittington 11/14

Duane Kemp 11/15

Heather Fourman 11/26

Viola Schultz 11/28 (100th!)

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Next month's potluck will be on November 13th.

This will be our annual Chili Cook off.

A brief men's meeting will also be held this day.

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We will be giving food baskets for families in the community for Thanksgiving. There will be a sign up sheet for you to provide items.

Food baskets will be delivered on November 23rd.

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Ladies Bible Study - The God of All Comfort

Thursday, November 10th @ 6:45pm

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### Serving AM & PM today and next Sunday:

Sunday Rotation	October 30, 22 AM	October 30, 22 PM	November 6, 22 AM
Greeter	Rick Ferris	Tom Muter	Tom Muter
Announcements	Jason Bang	Jerry Thompson	Jerry Thompson
Song Leading	Owen Whittington	John McGiffin	Owen Whittington
Opening Prayer/Usher (left)	Jason Bang	Jason Bang	Jerry Thompson
Lord's Supper Comments	Owen Whittington	Duane Kemp	Jason Bang
Scripture Reading	Tom Muter	Brennan Arrell	Tom Muter
Sermon	Tim Bang	Tom Muter	John McGiffin
Closing Prayer/Usher (right)	Duane Kemp	Seth Arrell	Tim Bang

**Bible Verse of the Week**

“Fear not, for I *am* with you; Be not dismayed, for I *am* your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.” Isaiah 41:10

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**Lord’s Supper Reflection**

*He left footprints for us to follow*

“For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: ‘Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth’; who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed *Himself* to Him who judges righteously; who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.” 1 Peter 2:21-24

**Offering Meditation**

*God has always expected us to give back a portion of which He gives us.*

“And it shall be, when you come into the land which the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance, and you possess it and dwell in it, that you shall take some of the first of all the produce of the ground, which you shall bring from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and put it in a basket and go to the place where the LORD your God chooses to make His name abide...;” Deuteronomy 26:1-2

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**Remember in Prayer:**

- \*Our Country & leaders
- \*Phyllis Caldwell - encouragement
- \*Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- \*Ernst & Helen Sherrill (Bro/Sis in Christ from TN) - shut ins with ongoing health issues
- \*Larry Bey - Parkinson’s
- \*Tom Cruze (Phyllis Caldwell’s nephew) - health
- \*Tyler Gray - health
- \*Debbie Vincent (member at Tipp City Church) - is recovering knee surgery
- \*Sarah (Caroline Stine’s niece) - having surgery because of a brain tumor
- \*David (resident at The Oakley Place) - in Hospice care

- \*Nancy (resident at The Oakley Place) - dealing with some health issues
- \*Clyde (Linda Whittington’s brother-in-law) - has cellulitis on his face
- \*Mark (Rosalee’s friend) - has stage 4 liver cancer
- \*Katie (Duane & Carol Kemp’s granddaughter) - fell and fractured her arm
- \*Mark McGiffin (John McGiffin’s brother) - having surgery to put stints in on 11/3
- \*Duane Kemp, Dustin & Sharon Dessaro, Jerry & Carrie Thompson have been sick this past week
- \*Tim Bang - seeing a specialist

**How can we be praying for YOU?**

Please call John or email him at [jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com](mailto:jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com) with any prayer requests or announcements you may have for the congregation.

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**Attendance and Contribution Record**

**Sunday, October 23**

Bible Classes 37  
AM Attendance 39  
PM Attendance 21

**Wednesday, October 26**

Bible Classes 17  
Contribution \$1,163.32

# Welcome to the Greenville Church of Christ



## October 30, 2022

Worship Times:

- Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am
- Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm
- Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

Minister, John McGiffin

4599 Children’s Home Bradford Rd  
Greenville, OH 45331

[www.greenvillecoc.org](http://www.greenvillecoc.org)

We are blessed that you have chosen to worship with us today!  
If you are visiting, we would love to have you back with us again. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor’s card and let us get to know you.