

Questions

1. Read Colossians 4:2a – What comes to mind when you think of a life devoted to prayer? What are some examples of prayer in scripture that encourage you? How are you doing in “persisting” in prayer? How can you improve?
2. Colossians 4:2b says to stay alert in prayer with thanksgiving. Do you think the church in Colossae found this challenging?
3. Why did the Apostle Paul ask for prayer that God would open a door? How can we as a church pray for God to open a door for us?
4. Paul commands the Colossians to act wisely toward outsiders. What did he mean by “outsiders” and why is there an emphasis on them?
5. After commanding them to act wisely toward outsiders, Paul gave the Colossians two ways to obey the command: Make the most of your time; Let your speech always be gracious. What does it mean to make the most of your time? What are some ways you can improve in gracious speech?



Persist in Prayer, Walk in Wisdom

Colossians 4:2-6

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In Col 4:2-6, God commands us to devote ourselves to prayer, and to act wisely toward outsiders.

1. Devote yourselves to prayer
 - a. Devotion To Prayer
- b. Four Examples of prayer for church in Colossae
 - i. Psalms (5:1-3; 9:1-2; 103:1-2)
 - ii. Matthew 6:9-13

*After each service, if you need prayer,
someone will be available up front to pray with you.*

iii. Paul's Example (Col 1:3, 9)

2. Act Wisely Toward Outsiders

c. Staying Alert In Prayer With Thanksgiving (Col 4:1b)

d. Pray That God May Open A Door (4:3-4)

a. Make The Most of Your Time

b. Let Your Speech Always Be Gracious