

Witnessing
Prayerfully
& Wisely
Colossians
4:2-6

Transformed to
Witness

Colossians

The Supremacy and Sufficiency of Jesus Christ

Doctrine (chaps. 1 & 2)

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Major Emphasis:

The Preeminence of Christ in Doctrine and Life Practice

2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. 3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak. 5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Colossians 4:2–6

**Pray
Persistently**

2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.

Colossians 4:2

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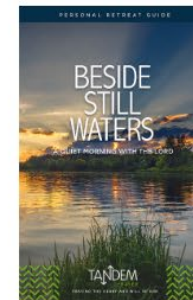
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1 ADD TO CART

Jesus came to seek and to save the lost. It is also our heart's desire that they know Him. Perhaps you have told loved ones and friends about Jesus, and they have turned a deaf ear. Maybe you have been praying for them for so long. Do not give up! We must pray because it is God alone who draws them, who enables them to believe, who gives them the gift of faith. (John 6:44; John 6:65; Ephesians 2:8).

Scripture strengthens our prayers because God's Word accomplishes

Father, I pray for (name one or more) ...

Send someone to gently instruct them when the time is right in their lives, someone to share the gospel not simply with words, but with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. May they receive Your Word and accept it, not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the Word of God. (2 Timothy 2:25; 1 Thessalonians 1:4-5; 2:13)

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Pray Alertly

2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.

Colossians 4:2



[11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

[12] For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:11-12

praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints,

Ephesians 6:18

Pray Gratefully

2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving.

Colossians 4:2

3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

Colossians 4:3–4

Pray for others and their proclamation of the Gospel

3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

Colossians 4:3–4



Pray for open opportunities for the Gospel

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Use prayer to open a door to share the Gospel

Say something like one of the following:

- "I have a concern to pray for people."
- "I have begun to pray more for people lately."
- "I enjoy praying for people."
- "I have a ministry of praying for people."

**Use prayer to
open a door to
share the
Gospel**

"Is there anything in your life
that I might pray for this week?"

Give a suggestion like: family,
health, job, etc

Pray, follow up, look for
opportunity to share the Gospel

Pray for clear & bold proclamation of the Gospel

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Colossians 4:3–4

[18] praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, [19] and also for me, **that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,** [20] for which I am an ambassador in chains, **that I may declare it boldly,** as I ought to speak.

Ephesians 6:18-20

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Colossians 4:3–4

**Ask someone
to pray this for
you!**

Walk wisely in behavior

5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Colossians 4:5–6

Walk wisely in use of time

5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

Colossians 4:5–6

**Walk wisely
with your words**

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Colossians 4:5–6

Witness
prayerfully and
walk wisely