

Community in Christ:
Taking the Gospel Through Open Doors

Colossians 4:2-18

God calls those who are saved and maturing in
Christ to steward their lives with gospel intentionality.

In Christ, we are called to a life of:

1. _____
(vs 4:2-4)

2. _____
(vs 4:5-6)

3. _____
(vs 4:7-18)

FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:

1. Why do people sometimes have a difficult time praying? What should motivate us to pray?
2. Have you ever been tempted to be a bystander when it comes to engaging others with the gospel?
3. Why is praying for the effective work of the gospel important? What does it say that we should pray for specifically?
4. Can you think of a time when your actions or words helped to open a door for the gospel? How did that happen?
5. Paul describes unchurched unbelievers as “outsiders” in v.5. Who are some unchurched unbelievers that you have contact with? In what ways does your relationship with them differ from your relationship with other people who are Christians? Would you describe your conduct around them as wise (v.5)? Would you say that your speech is always gracious and seasoned with salt? What might your need to change? Explain your answer.
6. Remembering that Onesimus was a runaway slave, what is the significance of the three things that Paul told his readers about Onesimus (4:9)? What impact do you think it might have had on those in Colossae?
7. What are ways that we partner with others as we engage in the work of gospel ministry?