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Colossians 4:2-18



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SUNDAY RECAP

Sunday message was an unique conclusion to our series in Colossians, with a team of teachers and special guests from France that highlighted the missional and relational life that is centered on Christ. Before starting the discussion questions with your group, pray together and invite the Holy Spirit to be present with you.

KEY PASSAGE: Colossians 4:2-18

DISCUSS

1. Share any takeaways from this week's message, and/or the impact of hearing about the relational ministry that is happening in France.
2. Read Colossians 4:2-6. Consider and discuss any/all of the following questions:
 - When have you seen God "open a door" in response to your prayers for others?
 - Why is it so important for us to speak clearly about the gospel?
 - List some ways you might put verses 5-6 into practice in your life?
3. The Colossians have never met Paul, but praying for someone can cultivate a relationship of love and trust. We're often invited to pray for people we have never/will never meet too. What keeps you praying for those people, despite not knowing them?
4. Read Colossians 4:7-18. Consider and discuss any/all of the following questions:
 - Paul shares about the comfort he found in fellow believers. At difficult times in your Christian life, how have fellow Christians been a particular comfort and support to you?
 - If a church emphasizes personal care but de-emphasizes teaching, what may be the result? If a church emphasizes teaching, but de-emphasizes personal care, what may be the result?
 - How does the conclusion of this letter (vs 7-18) speak to the individual Christian who feels they can go it alone and have nothing to gain or learn from other Christians and churches?

PRAYER TIME: Share requests and pray for one another and/or any takeaways from this series in Colossians.

PREVIEW FOR NEXT WEEK: We hope you worship with us on Mother's Day! We'll be taking communion, honoring moms, and Dr. Bob Quadro will be teaching a special message to highlight the inspiring faith of some mothers from the Bible.

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVE OPPORTUNITIES **Learn more at fairoaks.church/events**

- **Hope Gathering for Widows:** 5/8 | 6-8p | Potluck Dinner | RSVP details at fairoaks.church/events
- **Mom's Group:** 5/11 | 9:30a-11:30a | Fireside Room | RSVP at fairoaks.church/events
- **Food Drive:** 5/11 (9a-12p) & 5/12 | Benefit Sunrise Christian Food Ministry
- **Volunteer at Presbytery:** 5/16 & 5/17 | Fair Oaks Church is hosting Presbytery for our region of the EPC, Volunteers Needed | Explore spots & Sign up at fairoaks.church/events
- **Presbytery Women's Brunch:** 5/16 | 10-11:30a | RSVP & details at fairoaks.church/events
- **Presbytery Worship/Communion Service:** 5/16 | 7p | Worship Center
- **Men's Fast (5/17) & Breakfast:** 5/18 | 8a-10a | Family Life Center
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