

“Witnessing that Works”

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Colossians 4:2-6

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Introduction:

- A. Being a witness for Christ is not so much about something you _____, but is about something you _____.
- B. Jesus said: “You are the _____ of the earth...you are the _____ of the world” (Mt. 5:13-14)
- C. Paul wrote: “We are _____ for Christ” (2 Cor. 5:20).

I. Paul’s _____

- A. Paul instructions began with learning to “_____ with Perseverance.”
 - 1. Paul suggested that we should be _____ in prayer.
 - 2. Paul suggested that we should be _____ in prayer.
 - 3. Paul suggested that we should be _____ in prayer.
 - 4. Paul suggested that we should be _____ in prayer.
- B. Paul’s next instruction has to do with learning to “_____ take advantage of _____.”
 - 1. Living wisely means that we are trying to walk in a way that _____ Jesus and _____ Him appropriately.
 - 2. Living wisely also means wisely taking _____ of _____ as they arise.
 - 3. Wisely take advantage of the opportunity to _____ in _____.
- C. Paul’s final instruction is “Control Your _____.”
 - 1. Paul suggests that our speech should be full of _____.
 - 2. Paul suggests that our speech should be _____ with _____.
- D. Jesus’ encounter with the _____ in John 4 is a good example of taking advantage of an opportunity and having speech that is gracious and seasoned.

II. People’s _____.

- A. My email survey: Who or what was involved in helping you come to have a relationship with Jesus and His church? (32 responded)
 - 1. Family—_____
 - 2. Friend—_____
 - 3. Program on TV, radio, internet, etc.—_____
 - 4. Book or tract—_____
 - 5. Other—_____

Conclusion:

- A. God has many ways of drawing people to Himself, but many times those ways include _____ - _____ just like _____.
- B. Let’s allow God to use us to populate _____ and depopulate _____.

Answer Key: Intro.A. do, are. B. salt, light. C. ambassadors. I. Instructions. I.A. Pray. I.A.1. faithful. I.A.2. watchful. I.A.3. thankful. I.A.4. purposeful. I.B. Wisely, opportunities. I.B.1. honors, represents. I.B.2. advantage, opportunities. I.B.3. grow, Christ. I.C. Conversation. I.C.1. grace. I.C.2. seasoned, salt. II. Conversions. II.A.1. 18. II.A.2. 8 (plus 1). II.A.3. 0. II.A.4. 0. II.A.5. 5. Concl.A. people, people, us. B. heaven, hell.