

Colossians 4:2-18

Final Words

Keep _____ at the ready for all that is going on in _____ life and in the life of those around you, and don't forget to say _____. (4:2-4)

Is prayer at the ready in your life? Are you embracing the opportunity to include what's going on with you, what's going on with others, and thankfulness for what God has going on?

Be wise, be _____, be gracious, be _____, and be personal toward your _____ friends and family. (4:5-6)

How might your behavior with unbelievers need to be "smarter"?

Paul finishes his letter with many personal _____ and _____ . (4:7-18)

Does listening in on Paul's personal notes bring any personal encouragement to you?

As new people in Christ, we are those whose work ethics and standards are different than the wider culture. Instead of working primarily to impress our bosses, so that we can enjoy the benefits of promotions and accolades, we put in an honest day's work out of respect for our Lord. Instead of doing the minimum it takes to keep the paychecks coming or the possibility of promotions on the table, we put in our best day's work as an act of worship to our Lord. Instead of being a boss who uses our power to our own advantage, we make every effort to do right by our employees. It only makes sense that a transformed people would create a transformed workplace.