

Text: Colossians 4:2-6

Topics: Conduct, Prayer, Words

Series: Colossians: Knowing the All-Sufficient One

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Christianity in Relation to Outsiders

I. On the Inside (2-4)

The requirement of prayer...

The request for prayer...

II. On the Outside (5-6)

Conduct that reflects Christ...

Speech that leads to Christ...

My intentionality in words, actions, and prayer, are important
For opening opportunities to share Christ.

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. Give an example of an opportunity you had to share Christ related to your prayers, speech, or conduct.

2. Read Matthew 6:5-15. Jesus said, "Pray then in this way..." (v. 9). What did He mean?

What instruction on prayer from this passage is helpful to your prayer life?

3. Why is the believer told to take up the armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-17? What instruction for prayer is given in verse 18?

What does Paul ask for prayer about in verses 19-20? Why is it surprising?

What instruction on prayer from this passage is helpful to your prayer life?

4. Paul says a lot about the believer's conduct in Ephesians 5:1-17. Summarize what he says in a positive (do...) and a negative (don't...) statement.

From this passage, what area of conduct is the greatest struggle for you?

5. What words are used for appropriate speech in Ephesians 5:4 & 4:29-32? What words are used for inappropriate speech?

What circumstances are the most difficult for you to use appropriate speech?

6. The Lord's standard for our conduct and speech is high. It can be discouraging if we sincerely strive to live up to it. What encouragement can we find in Ephesians 5:2? Explain how it is encouraging.

7. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?