

Good Seasoning in Life

Colossians 4:2-6

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How do you develop good seasoning in life?

1) Continue earnestly in prayer and proclamation 4:2-4

- Jesus is the Door John 10:7
- Open doors do not mean a lack of opposition 1 Cor. 16:9

- Philippians 1:12-18

2) Redeem the time with seasoned words 4:5-6

- Walk in wisdom

- Witness with seasoned words 4:6
 - Words that build Eph. 4:29
 - Talk with grace Pro. 15:1
 - Ready with an answer 1 Pet. 3:15

***Good Seasoning results from earnest prayer
and proclamation of truth with God's time!***

- Be earnest in prayer; it shows seasoned dependence on Jesus.
- Proclaim Jesus.
- Time flies by quickly; buy it for what will last for eternity.

Message Based Discussion Questions

1) Do you taste food first and then salt or salt and then taste? Why?

Digging Deeper:

- 2) What do we learn from these prayers of Paul (cf. Phil. 1:9–11; Eph. 1:15–23; 3:14–21; Col. 1:9–12)?
- 3) What are the three aspects of our speech Paul exhorts in Eph. 4:29? How should that affect our speech with others?
- 4) What were some of the things that Paul exhorted (1 Tim. 2:1; 4:13; 5:1; 6:2)? Are those things that we should exhort? What kinds of things prevent us?
- 5) What two aspects were missing from the unbeliever who was eventually given over to his own desires in Rom. 1:21? How important is this? (Phil. 4:6; 1 Thes. 5:18)

Implementing the message into your life:

- 6) How do you respond to exhortations from others? Do you react or become defensive? Do you know why? Do you listen and try to change? What proverbs would be helpful?
- 7) How is exhortation a part of or not a part of your life with others? How could it become more a part of your life? What hinders it from becoming a part of your life?

The Christian Walk

- Walk in newness of life Rom. 6:4.
- Walk after the Spirit Rom. 8:4; Gal. 5:16; 1 Jn. 1:7.
- Walk uprightly Rom. 13:13.
- Walk by faith 2 Cor. 5:7; Col. 2:6.
- Walk in good works Eph. 2:10.
- Walk in God's love Eph. 5:2.
- Walk carefully (circumspectly) Eph. 5:15-16
- Walk in wisdom Col. 4:5.
- Walk according to His commandments 2 Jn. 6.
- Walk in truth 3 Jn. 4.