# July 6, 2025 Discussion Guide Scripture reading: Colossians 4:2-6

#### **CHECK UP:**

\*Memory Work: Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. - Colossians 3:23-24

\*Did your actions in "work" change this week by due to having a perspective of "doing everything as if working for the Lord?"

## **OPEN:**

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Did you B.L.E.S.S. someone this past week? (Begin in prayer, Listen, Eat, Serve, Share)

### **READ and ASK: Colossians 4:2-6**

- Walk through each instruction that Paul gives and discuss what they mean.
  - Why are these instructions so important for living out the great commission (Matthew 28:18-20)?
  - o Which commands have you observed Christians getting wrong? How?
  - o Which commands have you observed Christians getting right? How?
- How does this passage correspond with Matthew 5:14-16?

#### **APPLY:**

- How might the mission of the church be effective if this passage was fully embraced as the best way to make an impact in the world?
- How much time do you devote to prayer each day?
  - O How does your prayer life look like Paul's and others in the early church? (see Acts 1:14; 2:42; 6:4; Ephesians 6:18; 1 Thes 5:17; Luke 18:1; Colossians 1:3-4)
- How well do you do with speaking graciously and "seasoned with salt"?
- How well do you relate with non-believers?
- Which instruction in this text do you find most challenging/convicting?
  - o NEXT STEP: What action do you need to take this week?

### Memory Work:

Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. - Colossians 4:5

Next Week's Reading:

Colossians 4:7-18