
PARTNERING with CHRIST in Our DAILY LIVES

Colossians 4:2-18



Modern Slavery - when an individual is exploited by others, for personal or commercial gain. Whether tricked, coerced, or forced, they lose their freedom. This includes but is not limited to human trafficking, forced labor and debt bondage.

Biblical Slavery - slavery in Paul's time wasn't based on the color of someone's skin. It was based on economics.

The question that the slaves of that day had were after being set free by Christ, how were they supposed to act towards their masters?

²² Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to curry their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord.

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

²⁵ Anyone who does wrong will be repaid
for their wrongs, and there is no
favoritism.

4 Masters, provide your slaves with what is right and fair, because you know that you also have a Master in heaven.

Colossians 3:22 - 4:1

Jesus is inviting us to partner with Him in
three specific aspects of our daily lives.

1) Partnering with Christ at Work

Colossians 3:23 - workers

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Colossians 3:23-24

*As Christians we should be known as the
hardest working, most productive, and the
most joy filled people at work/school.*

Be known as a person with godly integrity
who always does their best!

God has you working/volunteering/living
where He wants you to because He has
plans to use you there for Kingdom
growth

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Colossians 3:23 - workers

Colossians 4:1 - Employers

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Colossians 4:1

Change your mindset when you go to
work.

God's command and our vision at King
Street is to make disciple-making disciples.

1) Partnering with Christ at Work

Colossians 3:23 - workers

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2) Partnering with Christ in Persistent Prayer

Colossians 4:2-6

Prayer connects us with the heart of God.

What do we pray for?

² Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. ³ And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains.

Colossians 4:2-3

We are to pray for opportunities to **boldly**
and **courageously** proclaim the Gospel
message!

⁴ Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. ⁵ Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity.

Colossians 4:4-5

We are to pray for **clarity** and **opportunity**
to proclaim the Gospel message!

Let your conversation be always **full of**
grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may
know how to answer everyone.

Colossians 4:6

If we truly believe what the Bible states in John 14:6 and don't share our faith with others, then we have become the epitomy of hatred.

We live in a post Christian society. Let's
pray for courage, clarity, and
opportunities to share what God has done
in our lives!

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3) Partnering with Christ Through Serving

⁷ Tychicus will tell you all the news about me. He is a dear brother, a faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. ⁸ I am sending him to you for the express purpose that you may know about our circumstances and that he may encourage your hearts.

⁹ He is coming with Onesimus, our faithful and dear brother, who is one of you. They will tell you everything that is happening here.

¹⁰ My fellow prisoner Aristarchus sends you his greetings, as does Mark, the cousin of Barnabas. (You have received instructions about him; if he comes to you, welcome him.)

"Jesus, who is called Justus, also sends greetings. These are the only Jews among my co-workers for the kingdom of God, and they have proved a comfort to me.¹² Epaphras, who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always wrestling in prayer for you, that you may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured.

¹³ I vouch for him that he is working hard for you and for those at Laodicea and Hierapolis. ¹⁴

Our dear friend Luke, the doctor, and Demas send greetings. ¹⁵ Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house.

¹⁶ After this letter has been read to you, see that it is also read in the church of the Laodiceans and that you in turn read the letter from Laodicea.

¹⁷ Tell Archippus: “See to it that you complete the ministry you have received in the Lord.”

¹⁸ I, Paul, write this greeting in my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.

Colossians 4:7-18

Paul names 11 people who were his friends
and who he worked with.

Who are the 8 to 12 people that God has given you in your life who He wants to bless and engage the community with?

We change THE world by joining Jesus on
mission to change OUR world!

During this Advent season who are those people that do not yet know Jesus who are in your world/realm of influence?

What would Jesus have you do during this season of Advent?

invite your



ONE

If we work to change our world, then we
will change THE WORLD.

This Advent season let's make the glory of
our Lord known by how we work, by
praying for opportunities to share the
gospel, and by inviting our one to
experience the freedom that comes from
knowing Jesus!