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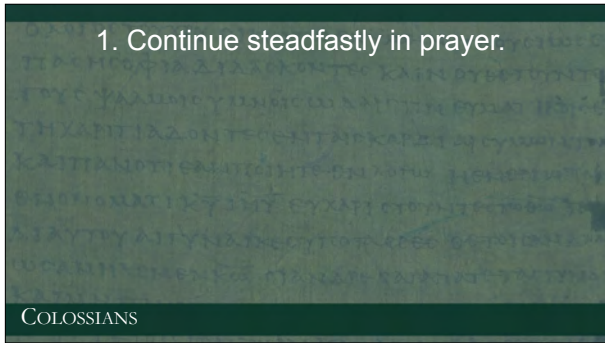
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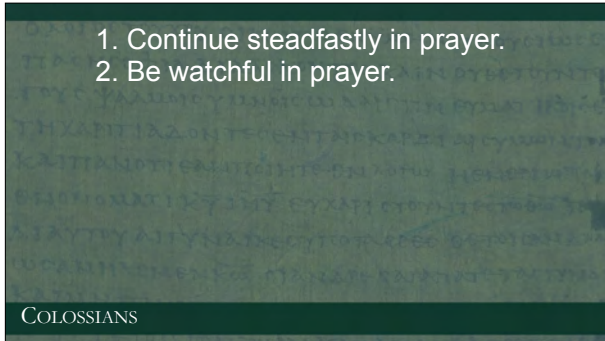
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### Colossians 1:9-10

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Paul is a firm believer that Christ-like behavior should be exhibited among local church members, in the home, and among nonbelievers as well.

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When considering how to live among “outsiders,” remember at one time you were an “outsider” as well.

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Colossians 1:13-14

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Colossians 1:21-22

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Why is it important to walk in wisdom with unbelievers?

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You are representing Christ to them.

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Should Christians shun non-Christians?

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Yes. No. Maybe so.

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2 Corinthians 6:14-17

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How much of your life should you spend with outsiders?

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How close do you allow outsiders?

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Living among people with a different moral standard, standard of truth, and way of life demands that we use Biblical wisdom to know how to interact rightly.

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What do you do if you need more wisdom as to how to live with unbelievers?

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James 1:5

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.”

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It is impossible to be completely isolated from unbelievers, nor are we commanded to do so, but we are commanded to live among them with wisdom.

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Everyone spends time, but some make better use of it than others

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How do you spend your time? Is there room for improvement?

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Ephesians 5:15-16

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Colossians 3:17

“And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

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Romans 13:11-14

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1 Peter 4:2-4

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A healthy acknowledgment of the temporary nature of this life helps a believer to live more wisely.

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Psalm 90:9-12

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Wisdom must be applied to how we live among outsiders, use of time, and in how we speak.

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Is your speech always gracious?

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Colossians 3:8-10

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Malice, slander, obscene talk, and lying are not to be a part of the believer's way of speaking.

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Matthew 5:13-16

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Does your speech benefit others?

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Do they leave your conversation encouraged?

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Proverbs 10:19-21

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Right speaking is not just knowing what to say  
but knowing what not to say as well.

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Your Christianity should be revealed to others  
not only by what you believe, but also by your  
conduct, your use of time, and your  
conversations.

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**Series: Colossians**

**Sermon: Colossians 4:5-6**

- 1. Read Col. 4:5 and Eph. 5:15-16. Time management is a benefit to all people, but Paul teaches that it is especially important for Christians. Why should Christians value and manage their time better than non-believers? Read Col. 4:5 and Eph. 5:15-16.**

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- 2. Though Paul does not mention speech in this passage, how could applying his instructions in Phil. 4:8 be of benefit to the way you speak to others?**

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- 3. Paul tells the Colossians to “walk in wisdom” in Col. 4:5. What does this wisdom look like? Read James 3:13-18 and list out some characteristics of wisdom that are given by James.**

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- 4. Read James 3:3-12. Does James teach that the tongue is easy or difficult to control? \_\_\_\_\_ . Does being saved mean that you will now have no problem controlling your tongue? \_\_\_\_\_ . How can acknowledging the difficulty in controlling our tongue (speech) help us to be more cautious with our words?**

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- 5. Many Christians live among outsiders without much thought at all, however Paul says that we are to use wisdom as we live among them. How can you be more intentional about living wisely among unbelievers?**

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- 6. Christians are not perfect in their conduct or their conversations. Sometimes this needs to be brought to our attention. What are some sinful ways of speaking that Paul was afraid he was going to still find in Corinth among the Christians? See 2 Cor. 12:20.**

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