

“Focused on Ministry.2”

The Cosmic Supremacy of Christ

Col. 1:28-29 • pt. 12

INTRODUCTION

- bringing glory to God; bringing others to maturity in Christ

- the supremacy of Christ over your life
Col. 3:1-3

“Christ is the center of Christianity; all else is circumference.”
– John Stott

1. The GOAL of ministry (1:28c)

- “perfect”
 - > morally pure and flawless
Mt. 5:48; Phil. 3:12

 - > full-grown, mature, complete
Phil. 3:15; Heb. 5:14

- recognize and affirm God’s purposed intention for you

2. The TOOLS of ministry (1:28b)

- “admonish”
1 Cor. 10:11

1 Thess. 5:14; 2 Thess. 3:14-15; Rom. 15:14

- “teaching”
Col. 3:16

3. The ENGINE of ministry (1:28a)

- “we”

- “proclaim”
1 Cor. 2:1-2
Acts 5:42
1 Cor. 11:26; Rom. 1:8

4. The ENERGY of ministry (1:29)

- “labor”
Lk. 5:4-5; 1 Tim. 5:17

- “striving”
Col. 4:12

APPLICATION

“...you have been bought and paid for, so what you want to do with your life is irrelevant.”
– Tony Evans

“There is a common worldly kind of Christianity in this day, which many have, and think they have enough. This cheap Christianity offends nobody, requires no sacrifice, costs nothing, and is worth nothing!”
– J.C. Ryle