

“We Proclaim Christ” **Colossians 1:24-29**

I. PASSION: "Christ in you" (vv.24-27)

A. Sufferings: "I rejoice...in Christ's afflictions" (v.24)

1. Glad: "I rejoice in my sufferings" (v.24a)
2. Generous: "filling up...Christ's afflictions" (v.24b)

B. Stewardship: "to make known...Christ" (vv.25-27)

1. Minister: "I was made a minister" (v.25)
2. Mystery: "Christ in you, the hope of glory" (vv.26-27)
 - a. Concealed: "the mystery...has been hidden"
 - b. Revealed: "the mystery...has now been manifested"
 - c. Fulfilled: "this mystery...Christ in you"

II. PURPOSE: "complete in Christ" (vv.28-29)

A. Sanctifying: "we proclaim Him" (v.28)

1. Exhorting: "admonishing every man" (v.28a)
2. Educating: "teaching every man" (v.28b)
3. Exhibiting: "present every man complete" (v.28c)

B. Striving: "for this...I labor" (v.29)

1. Exhausting: "I labor" (v.29a)
2. Endeavoring: "striving" (v.29b)

Next week: Read Colossians 2:1-7