

Col. 4:2-6

HOW WE CAN IMPACT OUR WORLD FOR GOD

1. HOW WE _____ - v 2-4

Paul lists 4 qualities that makes our praying powerful

A. Be _____

I Thess 5:17 - pray continually (KJV - without ceasing)

Luke 18:1 - Jesus gives a parable to motivate His followers to Aalways pray and not give up@ - now, more than ever, those are the only options for believers - praying, or giving up!

B. Be _____

Neh. 4:9 – “we prayed to our God and posted a guard”

One translation of Col. 4:2 says “keep alert in prayer”

1) To how the _____ works – don’t be ignorant of his schemes

2) be alert for things to pray about - when you read the paper, does it lead you to prayer?

3) for _____ to prayer

ILLUS. Acts 12:12-17 - when the answer keeps knocking

C. Be _____

D. Be _____ - “for us”

Pray for your Pastor and church leaders; evangelists; missionaries; other ministries

v. 3 & 4 tell us how to pray - for an open door; for clarity in proclamation

2. HOW WE _____ - v. 5

A. Guard your _____

Your ability to do this will flow directly from your praying!!

B. Guard your _____

3. HOW WE _____ - V. 6

A. It should be _____ - “full of grace”

The Message: “Be gracious in your speech. The goal is to bring out the best in others in a conversation, not put them down, not cut them out.”

We believe that we have to earn the right to talk to you by first listening to you!!

B. It should have “ _____ ”

C. It should have a _____

I Peter 3:15 - Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

