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Pastor Tim Wood - 24/7 Series: Living for Christ Everyday

Daily Witness

Acts 17:16-30

“While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols. So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day with those who happened to be there.”
(Verses 16-17)

How can I prepare myself to be a daily witness?

1. Be open _____.
2. View disappointments as _____.
3. Look for _____.
4. When you get a chance _____.

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. 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. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

Colossians 4:2-6

Kingdom Prayer

Lord, I will do anything that Your Kingdom work requires of me.

Wherever you want me to be, I'll go.

Whoever you want me to touch, I'll respond.

Whatever you want me to say or do, I will obey.

Whatever the circumstances, I'm willing to follow.

If you want to meet a need through my life,

I am your servant and your witness,

I will do whatever is required.

I love you Lord, be glorified in my life.

Small Group & Personal Study: 24/7 Discipleship Series – Daily Witness

This week we are going to look at how we can live our lives as a witness for Him

Memory Verse: Colossians 4:6

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

Daily Reading:

Day 1 – 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Day 2 – Isaiah 55

Day 3 – Isaiah 56

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Day 4 – Isaiah 58

Day 5 – Isaiah 59

Day 6 – Isaiah 60

Day 7 – Isaiah 61

Discovery Bible Study Exercise:

In your journal or on a piece of paper make three columns and follow these steps:

- Step #1: Write out Colossians 4:2-6
- Step #2: Re-write Colossians 4:2-6 in your own words
- Step #3: Write out two or three things you discover from this passage.
- Step #4: How are you going to obey what you have discovered?

Lesson: Our Daily Witness

Review our meditation verses for this week: Colossians 4:2-6

1. How could praying in this way help us begin to be better witnesses for Christ?

2. Who do you work with that might become your prayer and ministry partner for your workplace?
3. Share how has God placed divine appointments in your life?
4. What is God laying on your heart in regards to being a witness in your workplace, your neighborhood, or your family?
5. If you have been reading through Isaiah this week, share a passage by which God has spoken to you and what He has said.

The Discipline of Witness:

We are called to proclaim the gospel to a lost world that is loved by God. As disciples we must begin to live our faith in our homes, in our work place, in our neighborhood, and in every relationship. God has called us to be salt and light. We do not need to be preachers or evangelist; just people who can tell the story of His glory and what He has done in our lives.

By making yourself willing and available to pray for others, point the lost to Jesus Christ, and share how He has helped you your life will begin to bear fruit that will last.

I believe that our prayers should be first for ourselves and how we want God to work in our lives to bring Him glory and second for God to reveal Himself to those who do not know Him. If we really pray for God to show us where He is at work and honestly desire to join Him, He will answer that prayer and we will have the opportunity to be obedient and join Him and then we will see His mighty hand at work and our faith will grow strong.