

Studies in Colossians: Part Four

Wed. Bible Study

The Ministry of Paul v.24-29

1. Persecuted Ministry v.24 “sufferings”

- A. Supplemental “*fill up*” (Lk. 9:23, 2Cor. 1:5, 1Tim. 3:12)
- B. Shared “*afflictions of Christ*” (Ph. 3:10, Is. 63:9)
- C. Sacrificial “*for his body’s sake*” (Heb. 10:24, Lk. 10:30-36)
- D. Satisfactory “*rejoice*” (James 1:1-2, 1Pet. 3:14, 4:14)

2. Prescribed Ministry v.25-27 “according to the dispensation of God”

- A. Serve a People “*to me for you*” (Acts 9:13-16, Rom. 1:13-15)
- B. Satisfy a Prophecy “*fulfil the word of God*” (Is. 60:3)
- C. Spotlight a Plan “*Even the mystery*”
 - a. Plan of Inclusion “*among the Gentiles*” (Eph 3:1-9)
 - b. Plan in Incarnation “*Christ in you*” (Eph.3:17)

3. Perpetual Ministry v. 28 “every”

Till...

- A. Every man is Warned (Eze. 33:8, 3:19)
- B. Every man is Wise (Prov. 14:16, Ps. 51:13, Acts 5:42)
- C. Every man is Won (1Cor. 1:21, Jn. 4:35)

4. Powerful Ministry v.29 “mightily”

- A. Source “*his working*” (Rom. 13:1, Mat. 28:18)
- B. Scene “*in me*” (2Cor. 12:9, 1Jn. 4:4, Eph. 3:20)