

POWER UP



Why We Doing This?

Colossians 1:24-29

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When it comes to spiritual maturity, growth in Christ do you ever wonder, "Why we doing this?" Why all of the detail about who Jesus Christ is and what He has done? We are doing this because we recognize that we are on a mission as a result of our relationship with God through Christ. This relationship brings certain privileges:

1. We have been given the privilege of being part of something much bigger than ourselves (24-25)

[Question: Was Christ's work good enough or not?]

2. We have been given the privilege of telling others about the greatest mystery of all time (26-27)

3. We have been given the privilege of bringing this mission to completion, one person at a time (28-29)

THE ONE THING: As people of privilege, we must stay on mission.

taking it home

{ notes for small group,
family & personal study
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keeping it real

- 1 How are you most easily distracted from the mission that you have as a follower of Christ? How have you seen this in other people of privilege?

look at the book

- 2 What do these verses contribute to your understanding of "Christ in you" from Colossians 1:27?

- a. Exodus 40:34-38
- b. 2 Chronicles 5:11-14
- c. Luke 9:28-35
- d. Acts 1:9

- 3 Suffering for the cause of Christ is a topic we prefer to ignore while many around the world experience it daily. What do these verses contribute to your perspective on suffering? What if we are experiencing none?

- a. 1 Peter 4:12-19
- b. Philippians 1:27-30
- c. Matthew 5:11-12

the next step

- 4 What is one thing you can begin to do that will help you better stay "on mission" as a follower of Christ?

my next step this week is to:

- Memorize Colossians 1:28.
- Make a list of the privileges I have in Christ and share it with _____.
- [Since following Christ "doesn't end with me"] I will begin to...
- Other _____