

## **The Lord's Servant – A Faithful Steward (Pt. 3)**

### **Colossians 1:28-29**

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**Main Idea:** Paul lays down for us, through his own life, a model for ministry. The Lord's servant must not only be a joyful sufferer, and a faithful steward, but he must also be a wise proclaimer and hard laborer of the gospel.

- I. A Joyful Sufferer (v. 24)**
- II. A Faithful Steward (vv. 25–27)**
- III. A Wise Proclaimer (v. 28)**
  - a. The Content of Our Proclamation – Him
    - i. His Crucifixion
    - ii. His Commands (Matt. 28:20)
    - iii. His Lordship (2 Cor. 4:5)
  - b. The Counterbalance of our Proclamation
    - i. Admonish (1 Thes. 5:14)
    - ii. Instruction
  - c. The Crux of our Proclamation – Wisdom
  - d. The Comprehensiveness of our Proclamation – Every Man
  - e. The Conclusion of our Proclamation – Complete in Christ
- IV. A Hardworking Laborer (v. 29)**

#### **Extending the Impact:**

1. Note the shift of pronouns at the start of this verse compared to the use of the pronouns in the previous verses (I → We). Why is this change significant to the Colossian Church? How does this relate to members of Parker Bible Church?
2. When it comes to proclaiming, what/who are we to proclaim? Why is it dangerous to proclaim anything else without Christ as the focus?
3. What keeps you from faithful, consistent proclamation?



4. Who should be the recipients of our message? What are the implications for this in the church?
5. 1 Thessalonians 5:14 describes three types of people in the church. What is your responsibility to these individuals? What is it going to take for believers to be able to instruct these different groups of people?
6. Explain in your own words how we obtain the needed wisdom to disciple. (Read Proverbs 9:10; Psalm 119:97; James 1:5; Proverbs 14:7–8)
7. What does Paul say is the goal of our proclamation? How do we see people come to completeness in Christ?
8. Reread Col 1:29. What else does one need in order to see become complete in Christ? Where do we get the strength for this?
9. How does the power of Christ work mightily in a believer's life?
10. As a hardworking laborer, what may be some examples of diligently serving and investing in others at PBC? How can you grow in this area of service?

