

**COLOSSIANS**  
**Part 8 – Advancing the Gospel**  
**Colossians 4:2-18**  
Nick Ford, Senior Pastor  
November 6, 2011

**1. PRAY EARNESTLY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE GOSPEL**

<sup>2</sup> Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. <sup>3</sup> At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison— <sup>4</sup> that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak. (vv. 2-4)

- Pray for opportunities
- Pray for clarity

**2. SEIZE EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO ADVANCE THE GOSPEL**

<sup>5</sup> Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. <sup>6</sup> Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person. (vv. 5-6)

- Be gracious
- Be engaging
- Be ready

**3. ADVANCE THE GOSPEL TOGETHER! (vv. 7-18)**

*I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you. (v. 18)*