

Title: What Kind of People Are You? March 17, 2019
Text: Colossians 4:2-18

Walk-in: When somebody starts looking for a church what do they look for? When you were looking for a church to connect with what did you look for before you found this perfect church? The concluding chapter of Colossians brings Paul's challenges to the people of God in a specific community. He highlights what they need to be in order to impact their world for the Kingdom. The challenge is still the same for us. See how you fare as one of the people of the Kingdom.

1. Be a people of P . **Colossians 4:2-4**

- in d . *“Pray diligently. Stay alert with your eyes wide open in gratitude.”*
- COL 4:2 (The Message)
- in I .
“Don't forget to pray for us...” - COL 4:3 (The Message)
- for p .
“that God will open up doors for telling the mystery of Christ... Pray that every time I open my mouth I'll be able to make Christ as plain as day to them.”
- COL 4:3,4 (The Message)

2. Be a people of O . **Colossians 4:5,6**

- in a .
“Use your heads as you live and work among outsiders. Make the most of every opportunity.” COL 4:5 (The Message)
- in w .
“Be gracious in your speech. The goal is to bring out the best in others in a conversation, not put them down, not cut them out.”
- COL 4:6 (The Message)

3. Be a people of P .
Colossians 4:7-18

- The D of P :
Tychicus, Onesimus, Aristarchus, Mark, Justus, Epaphras, Luke, Demas, Paul
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>Be a F W (11)
>Be a W (12)

Wrap-up: If Paul were speaking to your church this morning what would he most want to say to you? Probably much the same as he did to this relatively out of the way church facing its own set of uncertainties. He invites you to be His people today to advance His kingdom through prayer, opportunity and partnership. Be part of the solution to the needs of a waiting world today. What kind of people are you really?