



Colossians Devotional Series

Week 4- Colossians 4

DAY 1 — Humble Authority: Leading Like a Servant

Verse: 4:1

Devotional

Paul begins the chapter by addressing “masters,” but your sermon makes it clear — this applies to anyone who carries authority. Leadership in the kingdom is never about superiority. It is servanthood wrapped in humility. Pride destroys relationships, blinds leaders, and poisons influence. Humility strengthens, teaches, and reflects Christ.

If you hold any position — at work, in ministry, in your home — your authority must be marked by meekness. You are not above anyone. You are a servant of the same Master in heaven. Pride says, “I can do it better.” Humility says, “Let me help you succeed.”

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:1 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Philippians 2:3. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: Where has pride shaped my leadership? _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to reveal any arrogance in your heart. *Write what the Holy Spirit revealed to you here:* _____

5. Explore humble leadership. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Where have you acted superior, dismissive, or impatient toward someone under your authority?

Prayer Focus

Ask God to replace pride with humility and make you a servant-hearted leader.

Call to Action

Choose one person you lead and intentionally encourage, teach, or support them today.

How will you encourage, teach, or support them? _____

DAY 2 — Steadfast Prayer: The Foundation of Everything

Verses: 4:2–4

Devotional

Paul's key action is simple: **pray steadfastly**. Prayer is not optional — it is the foundation of every spiritual movement. The early church devoted themselves to prayer, and Paul urges us to do the same. Prayer keeps you spiritually awake, aligned with God's will, and strengthened for ministry.

Prayer changes your perspective even when it doesn't change your circumstance. It fuels pastors, empowers leaders, and anchors believers. And Paul shows us that prayer is not only for ourselves — it is for those who shepherd us, those who lead us, and those who carry the weight of ministry.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:2–4 slowly.
2. Spotlight one word. *Write your word here:* _____
3. Connect it to Acts 2:42. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: Where has prayer become inconsistent or shallow?
Write your reflection here: _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to awaken your prayer life. *Write what the Holy Spirit revealed to you here:* _____

5. Explore praying steadfastly. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Where have you relied on people before prayer? _____

Where has prayer become rushed or neglected? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to deepen your prayer life and give you endurance, alertness, and gratitude.

Call to Action

Pray intentionally for your pastor or spiritual leaders today.

Write down specifics to pray for here: _____

DAY 3 — Aligning With God’s Will: Praying What Heaven Wants

Verses: 4:3–4

Devotional

Paul didn’t ask for comfort, rescue, or ease — he asked for prayer that he would **declare Christ clearly**. His requests were aligned with God’s will, not his own desires. Many believers grow frustrated when God doesn’t answer prayers that contradict His Word or His heart.

Jesus Himself prayed, “Not my will, but Yours be done.” When you spend time with God, your desires begin to match His desires. The Spirit intercedes for you, shaping your prayers to align with heaven. Prayer becomes powerful when it becomes surrendered.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:3–4 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase: *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to 1 John 5:14. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: Where have my prayers been self-centered instead of God-centered?
Write your reflection here: _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to align your desires with God’s will.

Write what the Holy Spirit revealed to you here: _____

5. Explore praying God’s will. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Where have you prayed for comfort instead of obedience? _____

For ease instead of clarity? _____

For your will instead of His? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to align your heart with His will and reshape your prayers accordingly.

Call to Action

Pray one prayer today that is fully surrendered. *Write what you prayed for here:* _____

DAY 4 — Walking in Wisdom: Representing Christ to Outsiders

Verses: 4:5–6

Devotional

Paul commands believers to walk in wisdom toward outsiders. Your life is a witness long before your words are. Your speech must be gracious, seasoned with salt — pure, truthful, and compelling. What you pour into your heart will pour out of your mouth.

Salt that loses its taste is useless. A Christian whose lifestyle contradicts their confession becomes a stumbling block. Someone is always watching. Your consistency, compassion, purity, and hope may be the very thing that draws someone to Christ — or pushes them away.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:5–6 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Matthew 12:34. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: What does my speech reveal about my heart? *Write your reflection here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to purify your words and witness. *Write what the Holy Spirit revealed to you:* _____

5. Explore gracious speech. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Where has your speech been harsh, corrupt, sarcastic, or careless? _____

Where has your lifestyle contradicted your faith? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to make your words pure, gracious, and seasoned with salt.

Call to Action

Speak intentionally today — choose one conversation to reflect Christ clearly. *Where did you do that today?* _____

DAY 5 — Devoted Companions: The Power of Faithful Community

Verses: 4:7–14

Devotional

Paul's closing words reveal his deep affection for faithful companions — beloved brothers, servants of Christ, men who struggled in prayer and lived with devotion. These were people whose lives bore fruit, whose faith strengthened the church, and whose character made them trustworthy.

Epaphras stands out: a servant of Christ, always praying, always laboring for the maturity of others. His devotion was visible, consistent, and powerful. The question your sermon asks is piercing: **Would Paul write about you?** Would your life reflect enough devotion, prayer, and faithfulness to be named?

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:12 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Hebrews 10:24. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: What kind of companion am I to the body of Christ?
Write your reflection here: _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to strengthen your devotion. *Write what the Holy Spirit revealed to you here:* _____

5. Explore spiritual maturity. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Are you a faithful companion? A prayerful supporter? A devoted servant? Or do you blend into the crowd? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to make you a person whose devotion strengthens the church.

Call to Action

Pray intentionally for one believer today — their maturity, strength, and growth.

Who will you pray for and how will you pray for them today?: _____

DAY 6 — Fulfill Your Ministry: Living Out Your Calling

Verse: 4:17

Devotional

Paul's final charge to Archippas is simple and weighty: **"Fulfill the ministry you have received in the Lord."** Every believer has a ministry — not just pastors. You are called to make disciples, shine your light, and live a life worthy of Christ.

Ministry is not performance — it is the outflow of a life. If you are not walking with Christ daily, you cannot represent Him faithfully. You cannot serve two masters. Fulfillment requires devotion, consistency, obedience, and surrender.

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:17 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to 2 Timothy 4:5. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: What ministry has God entrusted to me? *Write your reflection here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to reveal where you've held back. *Write what the Holy Spirit revealed to you here:* _____

5. Explore fulfilling your ministry. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Where have you resisted your calling? _____

Where have you delayed obedience? _____

Where have you served halfway? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to give you courage, clarity, and endurance to fulfill your ministry.

Call to Action

Take one step today toward your calling — serve, speak, encourage, or obey.

Write what step you will take today and how you plan on taking it: _____

DAY 7 — A Life Worthy of the Letter: Devotion Without End

Verse: 4:18

Devotional

Paul ends his letter with affection, devotion, and urgency. His final words carry weight — because endings reveal what matters most. Your sermon closes with a challenge: **Would your life be worthy of Paul's final greetings?**

A life of devotion is not occasional. It is daily. It is prayerful. It is humble. It is watchful. It is obedient. It is consistent. It is a life that boldly shines the light of Christ, honors Him in speech and action, and refuses to drift into complacency.

Fulfill your ministry. Pray diligently. Shine your light. Live a life worthy of the title "Christian."

Scripture Meditation

1. Read Colossians 4:18 slowly.
2. Spotlight one phrase. *Write it here:* _____
3. Connect it to Matthew 5:16. *Write your connection here:* _____

4. Ask: Does my life shine Christ clearly? *Write your reflection here:* _____

Sit quietly and ask the Spirit to deepen your devotion. *Write your reflection here:* _____

5. Explore living devoted. *Write your reflection here:* _____

Personal Inventory

Where has devotion faded? _____

Where have you grown comfortable? _____

Where have you stopped shining your light? _____

Prayer Focus

Ask God to strengthen your devotion and make your life worthy of His name.

Call to Action

Choose one act of devotion today — prayer, Scripture, worship, service — and do it wholeheartedly. *What act of devotion will you do and how will you plan to do it?* _____

