

**Paul the Minister!**  
(Colossians 1:23d-24)

- I. INTRODUCTION
- II. THEIR PRAYERS FOR THE COLOSSIANS (Col. 1:3-14)
- III. THE PREEMINENCE OF CHRIST (Col. 1:15-19)
- IV. THE PERFECT SUFFICIENCY OF CHRIST'S WORK (Col. 1:20-2:3)
  - A. Revealed through PERFECT RECONCILIATION (Col. 1:20-23c)
  - B. Revealed through PAUL'S MINISTRY (Col. 1:23d-2:3)
    1. At a point in time Paul was made a \_\_\_\_\_. (Col.1:23d)
      - What does the word "minister" mean?
    2. Paul's ministry was \_\_\_\_\_, "\_\_\_\_\_ became a minister." (Col.1:23d)
      - Ministry is not just for certain people, in fact, ministry is for \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. Paul was \_\_\_\_\_ in his transition to become a minister. (Col. 1:23d)
      - What does this mean to us?

4. Paul \_\_\_\_\_ during the suffering he endured while ministering to them. (Col. 1:24)

- Why was he glad to suffer?

5. Paul's sufferings were not only \_\_\_\_\_ afflictions but were endured by \_\_\_\_\_ as well. (Col. 1:24)

- What does this not mean?
  
  
- What does the afflictions of Christ mean?
  
  
- Why does Christ still suffer?

### Takeaway

- We are called to \_\_\_\_\_ to each the other sometimes at a great \_\_\_\_\_ to ourselves.
- Are you a \_\_\_\_\_ or a \_\_\_\_\_?