

Colossians

Blessed Assurance

"Concern For and Conduct Toward Non-Believers"

INTRO: *As the Apostle Paul began to wrap up this short epistle, he exhorted the Colossian Christians to consider their mission to reach outsiders even as they participated in God's process of spiritual renewal.*

I. Christians participate in God's spiritual _____ process by altering their individual _____ as well as the _____ of their relationships.

II. It is easy for Christians to lose sight of their _____ in this process of spiritual _____. This renewal process is not in isolation to the mission given the Church by Jesus.

III. Remain _____-minded: Our spiritual _____ process is integrated with our mission to make _____ (4:2-6). The Great Commission (Matt. 28:18-20) is our reason for being left on earth after conversion.

A. _____ devotedly for _____. This petition is especially for those who feel called to leave their current station and travel.

B. _____ wisely with _____. We are *all* evangelists and must consider *how* we interact with those around us, especially in our *speech* (Cf. 1 Peter 3:15).