



## How to Influence Others

Colossians 4:2-6

**Listen!** Almost everyone hates evangelism and the main reason is simply fear.

**Question:** What if it isn't scary at all? What if you could actually do it without any fear?

**First, the people who are sharing Christ are \_\_\_\_\_.** (vv 2-4)

- Devoted:
- Keeping alert in:
- With an attitude of thanksgiving:
- Praying specifically for God to open doors:
- Praying specifically for God to give clarity:

**Second, the people who are sharing Christ are \_\_\_\_\_.** (vv 5, 6)

- Outsiders:
- Conduct yourself:
- Be wise:
- Be opportunistic:
- Be gracious in your conversations:
- Be salty in your conversations:
- Be tailored in your conversations:

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# Walking Papers

*“Practical helps for walking the Christian walk this week.”*

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Please read Colossians 4:2-6 every day this week. Please pray for the people on your “Top Ten List” each day this week as well.

- **Sunday—from verse 2:** What are the things to which you are “devoted?” What is the evidence for your answer? What would it look like for you to be devoted to prayer?
- **Monday—from verse 2:** What would it look like for you to be devoted to prayer for lost people and for sharing opportunities and for clarity in sharing?
- **Tuesday—from verse 5:** Make a list of 20 “outsiders” with whom you have good relationships. What might you have to change in your life in order to be “wise” in your conduct toward them?
- **Wednesday—from verse 5:** How can you be a more “opportunistic” person in talking to others about Christ and His offer of forgiveness?
- **Thursday—from verse 6:** How can your speech be more gracious? How can you give grace to people when you talk to them?
- **Friday—from verse 6:** How can your speech be more salty? How can you make people more interested and curious about Jesus and His offer?
- **Saturday—from verse 6:** How can your speech be more tailored to the individual to whom you are speaking?

**For tomorrow morning please read and reflect on Colossians 4:7-18.**