

## The Mission of Christ, Part 2

Col 4:5-6

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### Background

Before He ascended to the Right Hand of God, Christ promised His disciples: "In a few days, you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. [...] You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:5, 8). This promise was fulfilled ten days later -- the fiftieth after Easter -- on the day we now call Pentecost. Join us this Sunday as we commemorate the outpouring of the Spirit -- and consider how the Spirit is empowering us to be Christ's witnesses, too!

**Sermon Text:** Col 4:5-6 (NIV)

*<sup>5</sup> Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. <sup>6</sup> Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.*

### Discussion Questions

#### 1. Preparation

- a. What is one thing you hoped to talk about today/tonight?
- b. What question(s) did you come away with from the sermon?
- c. What stands out to you the most from this sermon?

## 2. Sunday questions (pick 3?)

- a. Sunday was Trinity/Pentecost Sunday.
  - What comes to mind when you think of Pentecost Sunday?
  - Has it helped you in your Christian walk to have comments made last Sunday about Ascension Day and this Sunday about Trinity Sunday?
  - In general, do you feel that following the Christian calendar is helpful in your Christian walk? Why or why not?
- b. Eugene explained these verses as if Paul is saying, “Don’t waste your life. Use it to reveal Christ.”
  - As you look back over your life, have you used it to reveal Christ? Explain.
  - How does this encouragement/exhortation inspire you to move forward?
  - Moving forward, what would it look like practically for you to reveal Christ?
- c. Would you say that you are a “salty” Christian, full of “friendliness, gentleness and respect”? Are there places that are easier or harder to be “salty”? Explain.
- d. Of Paul’s three commands, which one is easiest for you? Which one is hardest for you? Explain.
  - Walk wisely toward outsiders
  - Make the most of every opportunity
  - Be gracious and friendly in speech
- e. Eugene mentioned several opportunities for service at PBCC.
  - Where are you involved in serving?
  - Where do you want to get involved?
  - Do you have any new ideas for service? (Note that ministry at PBCC is always team-based, so you would not be alone in starting any new ministry.)