

Value Christ-Small Group Questions
Colossians 1:24-2:5 and Romans 15:1-13

Big Idea

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Impact Service Review - Colossians 1:24-2:5

Looking back to Sunday's sermon on Colossians 1:24-2:5--

What three steps should we take to show that we value His church?

What are 3 P's in ministry we must keep in mind for a Biblical perspective?

What are your personal applications (macro and micro) from this passage?

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Dig Deeper

Read Romans 15:1-13

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Group Questions

Verses 1-7

To gain some context of the "weak" and "strong" for this passage, read Romans 14. Compare and contrast the characteristics of the "weak" and the "strong"?

Now that you know the difference between the two, what is verse 1 saying to you?

Rephrase verses 1-2.

The "obligation to bear with" our weaker brothers is not a one-time thing, it is ongoing.

-How are you doing at bearing with the struggles of your fellow Christians?

-How are you being patient, consistent, and loving? How can you improve?

-Is there a specific situation in which you need to continue to build up with patient endurance?

Rephrase the following:

Live in such harmony

In accord with Christ Jesus

What would it look like to those around us if our body lived in complete harmony and unity? What impact could it have?

How does our welcoming each other like Christ welcomed us glorify God?

Summarize this section into an action statement.

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Verses 8-13

Christ's attitude of a servant is mentioned again in verse 8. His servanthood displayed God's truthfulness. How does our servant attitude reflect on our heavenly Father?

What are some pervading attitudes of verses 8-13?

Do you have an attitude of hope? How is this reflected in your daily life? How does the presence of, or lack of, hope affect you and those around you?

Is the God of hope your source of joy and peace? Or are there other things creeping in to take His place as the source of joy and peace?

What role does "believing" play in having true joy and peace?

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What is the macro application for this passage (the general application that we all should be challenged to go after)?

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Accountability Time

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Open Up

What is the micro (personal) application for you in this passage?
(take the macro application and give it enough detail so it is measurable and for you specifically--who? when? how?)

Is there someone with whom you're struggling that you need to bear with and build up?
Who is it? What is the situation?

Romans 5:6-8 drives home how Christ showed us mercy and grace in our sinfulness. How can you specifically imitate Christ's example in the relationship in which you're struggling?

What is it that will hinder you from following through? How can the group help hold you accountable in this?