

INTRODUCTION: Col 1:25-29

Paul explains his ministry is to proclaim Christ so that Christ's people might become mature in Christ.

INSTRUCTIONS

This guide is meant to facilitate discussion which will lead to a response to God's word. Therefore please use it as a tool that best fits the needs of your small group.

OPENING DISCUSSION

- What was the most interesting idea/concept about Sunday's sermon?
- Has God called you to help make others mature in Christ? Discuss.

REVIEW

- Have someone read Col 1:25-29
- What does it mean to make the Word of God fully known?
- What is the mystery to which Paul refers? In what way was it hidden?
- What does Paul mean by "Christ is in you?"
- What does Paul mean by "Hope of glory?"
- Why is admonishment important?

APPLICATION

- Is there a danger that HBC stops proclaiming Christ? Is so, what do we do to ensure we continue in our gospel proclamation?
- What is your experience in admonishing others? In being admonished?
- Who watches over you?
- What does it mean to be 'Mature in Christ?" Are you headed in that direction? Are you helping others?
- Are you strengthened with God's energy that powerfully works within in you? Why or why not?

PRAYER (divide the group based on gender if desired)

- What action/repentance does God want you to take according to the truths of this text?
- Are there any other prayer needs?