

Building Relationships for the Gospel Colossians 4:5-6 (Part 2 of 2)

- I. Wise Living – Our life (Colossians 4:5).
 - A. *Outsiders* – How we relate to unbelievers impacts the gospel (1 Peter 3:15).
 - B. *Opportunity* – Relationships are not just about the gospel, but God uses them for the gospel.

- II. Grace-filled conversations – Our words (Colossians 4:6a).
 - A. *Grace* – Adopt an attitude toward all that expresses God’s grace for the world (John 3:16).
 - B. *Salt* – Communicate with sensitivity that causes most people to enjoy you.

Gospel Effectiveness

1. Our life impacts our effectiveness in sharing the gospel (Matthew 5:16; 1 Peter 2:12).
2. But a sinful past doesn’t need to hinder our gospel effectiveness (Colossians 3:5-8; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Ephesians 5:5-8).
3. And spiritual newness don’t need to hinder our gospel effectiveness (John 4:17-18. 28-29, 39).

- III. Knowing how to communicate – Listening and sharing (Colossians 4:6b).
 - A. Listen to know how to share with someone.
 - B. Be ready to share gospel truth (1 Peter 3:15).