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# Grace & Peace

The truths of scripture given to us by God's GRACE inform and motivate the commands of Scripture that lead us to God's PEACE.

A letter to the Church in Colossae

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"72 percent of the people interviewed said they think the church is full of hypocrites"

"A majority of unchurched Americans (79 percent) think that Christianity today is more about organized religion than about loving God and loving people; 86 percent believe they can have a good relationship with God without being involved in church."

"These outsiders are making a clear comment that churches are not getting through on the two greatest commandments, 'to love God and love your neighbor'

"71 percent of the respondents said they believe Jesus 'makes a positive difference in a person's life' and 78 percent said they would 'be willing to listen' to someone who wanted to share what they believed about Christianity."

"We think religion is a topic that is off-limits in polite conversation, but unchurched people say they would enjoy conversations about spiritual matters"

"Other findings showed that 44 percent said Christians "get on my nerves."

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Please turn to Colossians 4:2

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## Pray

1. Continually
2. Steadfastly
3. Watchful
4. Thankful

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## Pray

1. For the Church
2. Pastors, Church Planters,  
& Missionaries
3. Outsiders

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“The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’”

Matthew 11:19

And when they saw it, they all grumbled, ‘He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.’

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.” Luke 19:7 & 10

And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

Matthew 9:10-13

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