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## No Person Or Plan Is **BIGGER** Than **The Purpose Of God**

### Study of Colossians Chapter 4

**Author:** Paul

**Audience:** Church at Colosse

**Purpose:** To combat errors in the church and to show that believers have everything they need in Christ.

**Theme:** The **Supremacy** and **Sufficiency** of Christ



#### Jesus is My Center!

#### There is Nothing **BIGGER** Than My **GOD!**

**Supremacy** – the quality or state of having more power, authority, or status than anyone else. Jesus is the ultimate in power, glory, authority, and importance. Jesus' supremacy over all is developed biblically primarily in Hebrews and Colossians.

**Sufficiency** – the state of being enough or adequate. Jesus has all the attributes of deity so that nothing is outside the realm of His knowledge, nothing is outside the realm of His power, and He is the preeminent one over all creation. Scripture is complete and sufficient for belief and behavior.

**God speaking to me through His word, His Spirit, His people....I speak to God through prayer!**

#### Outline:

- I. Supremacy of Christ
  - a. Cosmic Perspective – 4:1
  - b. Prayer - 4:2-4
    - i. Faithful Prayer
    - ii. Watchful Prayer
    - iii. Thankful Prayer
  - c. Wisdom in Your Actions – 4:5
  - d. Wisdom in Your Words – 4:6
  - e. Partners in the Gospel – 4:7-18



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**When I understand the Supremacy and Sufficiency of God...He is my center, then I start everything with God! I am always attached to my root system, which is God through continual prayer to Him.**

### **Prayer**

Faithful – continuous in prayer to my Father – Intercession in my life

Watchful – do not get surprised by trials and temptations in your life...I am at war! – Answer to pray

Thankful – God you have done so much for me on a daily basis – Thanksgiving for the answer to prayer

**Grace** – Greek word charis – what is loving-kindness, favour, good will, unmerited favour

**Salt** – permanence, loyalty, durability, fidelity, usefulness, value, and purification – Matthew 5:13 – You are the salt of the earth – you are worthy and virtuous – salt was so valuable that it was used as money.

**Salty** – can not take it in large quantities – small doses and not for any length of time, dehydrate you and suck the life out of you

**Not Enough Salt** – bland – empty and without substance – words not backed up with modeling

**Seasoned With Salt** – preservative, alive, vibrant, tasty, flavor, positive – want more

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What from the lesson today touched your heart the most?
2. Where am I in my prayer life? Do I believe my faith can move mountains when I pray to my Father?
3. Do I put limits and boundaries on my God because my prayer life is not where it should be, so I do not pray in belief that it will change things?
4. Have I fallen asleep on God and not stayed watchful of the tactics and temptations of the devil?
5. Have my circumstances dictated my faith and belief in God?
6. Do I need to check my salt level?
7. What is my testimony of God's goodness in my life?