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What would this practically look like in your life?

What obstacles prevent you from doing this?

What habits help you to do this?

Why does Paul tell the Colossians to be watchful and thankful in their prayers?

Paul was writing while imprisoned and was thankful despite his difficult circumstances. What can you be thankful for even during hard days?

What is significant about Paul (the great Apostle) asking the Colossians to pray for him to have evangelistic opportunities and to present the gospel clearly?

What does this teach us about Paul?

What does this teach us about prayer?

What does this teach us about evangelism?

What does Paul mean when he says to make the most of every opportunity?

How do Paul's other instructions in v 5-6 relate to this command?

What opportunities do you have to love others and share the Gospel?

How can we live in a way that makes the most of every opportunity?

Prayer Practice:

1. Spend 5-10 minutes praying and journaling, asking God to give you the names of people in your life with whom you can share God's love. Write down any names the Spirit brings to your mind.
2. If any of the people are not Christians pray evangelistically for them each day this week. Pray that the Spirit will soften their hearts toward Jesus and that Jesus will make himself known to them.
3. Send a message or note of encouragement to the people for whom you are praying letting them know you are praying for God to bless them.

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