

## FOR YOU TO SHARE CHRIST, PRAY COLOSSIANS 4:3, 4

*How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)*

BACKGROUND: When you are involved with leading someone to Christ, God is using you in His plan of salvation, giving you inexpressible joy. (See **Luke 10:17, fn 10:17-20**)

**FOR AN OPEN DOOR.** It is God who opens doors and hearts for you to share the gospel. God's wonderful salvation must not stop with you. He provides the opportunities and you provide the message. (**Colossians 4:3, Acts 14:27, II Corinthians 2:12, Revelation 3:7, 8, I Peter 3:15, fn 3:15, II Timothy 4:1, 2, fn 4:1, 2**) *Why is it vital for you to pray for open doors to lead someone to Christ?*

**TO PROCLAIM THE MYSTERY.** The mystery is Christ in you (concealed in the Old Testament and revealed in the New Testament.) Glory is the true apprehension of God. Spiros Zodhiates, The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament, p. 478. His present abiding glory confirms your salvation and Christ in you. (**Colossians 4:3, Colossians 1:26, 27, fn 1:26, 27, Ephesians 3:2-6, fn 3:5,6, fn 3:7, Romans 16:25-27, fn 16:25-27[1<sup>st</sup>], Ephesians 1:13, 14, fn 1:13**) *How does Christ in you confirm your salvation and encourage you to pray for opportunities to share your faith?*

**TO PROCLAIM IT CLEARLY.** (**Colossians 4:4, fn 4:4, John 14:6, Romans 3:24, Colossians 1:21, Colossians 1:27, John 10:10, John 5:24, Acts 16:31, Romans 10:9, John 1:12, 13, II Corinthians 5:17, John 14:27, Romans 6:23, John 14:6, Colossians 1:13, John 3:7, 16, I John 1:9**) *Using these and/or other Scriptures (as many as needed), write a clear and brief description of how you came to know Christ that could help someone to also trust Christ and have a personal relationship with Him. Example: (1) What was your life like before Christ? (2) How did you accept Christ? (3) How did He change you? (4) What is your life like now?*

*How is your relationship with your spouse or others? (I Peter 3:7, Matthew 5:23, 24)  
What sin, if any, do you need to confess? (James 5:16)*