

3. The sovereign will of God to reveal Christ in us (Colossians 1:27)

4. The struggle of the believer to present everyone mature in Christ (Colossians 1:28-29)

Table Talk

- 1) In what sense does Paul's suffering fill up what is lacking Christ's afflictions? In what sense can this never be true? (1:24)
- 2) What is a stewardship? What stewardships do you have? How is Paul's stewardship unique to him? How is his stewardship something that every believer possesses? (1:25)
- 3) How does God decide who knows about the mystery of Christ? What is important about this mystery being full of riches and glory? What riches and glory do you see in the mystery of Christ in you? Why is it important that the word, "you," is plural in v. 27? (1:26-27)
- 4) What is Paul's expansive goal? How are you making that your goal? (1:28)
- 5) How is the goal of making mature disciples of Christ a struggle? Who provides the energy for that struggle? How are you experiencing God's energizing for that struggle? (1:29)
- 6) What is one thing that you (or your small group) can do this week to advance the mission of presenting everyone mature in Christ?