

Meditate on God's Word.

Review

27 God wanted to make known among the Gentiles the glorious wealth of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. 28 We proclaim him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. 29 I labor for this, striving with his strength that works powerfully in me. **Colossians 1:27-29**

Three Big Questions That Change Everything (Powell and Griffin)

1. Who am I? (a question of **identity**) I am **enough** in Christ.
2. Where do I fit? (a question of **belonging**) I belong **with** the family of Christ.
3. What difference can I make? (a question of **purpose**) I can share His **story**.

Three Trinity questions

1. How's your walk? (a question of identity in Christ)
Colossians 1:29—his strength in me
2. Where's your work? (a question of belonging)
Colossians 1:28—we proclaim him, warning and teaching everyone
3. Who's your 1? (a question of purpose)
Colossians 1:27—make known among the Gentiles . . . Christ in you, the hope of glory

Hope for 1 by 100 (H41x100)

Trinity Baptist Church will turn 100 years old in 2026. What would God be able to do in and through TBC if every member committed to reaching someone in need of the hope of Jesus and discipling that new believer by the end of 2026?

- Members would commit to personal growth in the Lord.
- Members would identify personal areas for growth and challenge—Bible reading, prayer, disciple-making, biblical knowledge, evangelism training, personal ministry, and the like.
- Members would hold other members accountable to growth.
- Members would begin praying for God to show them one person near to them who is far from Him.

19 "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fish for people . . ." 23 Now Jesus began to go all over Galilee, **teaching** in their synagogues, **preaching** the good news of the kingdom, and **healing** every disease and sickness among the people. 24 Then the news about him spread . . . 5 **When he saw the crowds**, he went up on the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 Then he began to teach them, saying . . . **Matthew 4:19-5:2**

³⁵ Jesus continued going around to all the towns and villages, **teaching** in their synagogues, **preaching** the good news of the kingdom, and **healing** every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ **When he saw the crowds**, he felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant, but the workers are few. ³⁸ Therefore, pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest." **Matthew 9:35-38**

4 Peter, along with John, looked straight at him and said, "Look at us." 5 So he turned to them, expecting to get something from them. 6 But Peter said, "I don't have silver or gold, but **what I do have, I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk!**" 7 Then, taking him by the right hand he raised him up, and at once his feet and ankles became strong. . . . **all the people, utterly astonished**, ran toward them in what is called Solomon's Colonnade. 12 When Peter saw this, he **addressed the people** . . . While they were speaking to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple police, and the Sadducees confronted them, 2 because they were annoyed that they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. . . . 11 This Jesus is the stone rejected by you builders, which has become the cornerstone. 12 There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved." 13 When they observed the boldness of Peter and John and realized that they were uneducated and untrained men, they were amazed and **recognized that they had been with Jesus.** **Acts 3:1-4:31**

- The disciples had been ministering, teaching, and reaching, and they were in trouble.
- The disciples amazed the religious leaders, and it was evident they spent time with Jesus.

Development

Colossians 1:29—*I labor for this, striving with his strength that works powerfully in me.*

What does it look like to spend time with Jesus?

The action

The outcome

What will be the evidence of His strength working powerfully in our labor?

- Individual devotion
 - Personal prayer and study
 - Personal fellowship, ministry, and worship
 - Personal evangelism

Further Development

Acts 4:32-5:11

- The disciples ministered to one another and were devoted to the apostles' teaching.
- The disciples held one another accountable to growth and integrity.

Colossians 1:28— *We proclaim him, warning and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.*

What does it look like to warn and teach everyone toward maturity?

The action

The outcome

What will be the evidence of His wisdom warning and teaching us toward maturity in Christ?

- Community development
 - Developing a culture that asks the three Trinity questions and expects answers
 - Developing a culture that expects growth in Bible literacy, doctrinal belief, and holy behavior
 - Developing a culture that raises up leaders in our homes and our body to serve and shape

Pray Together.

Confession: Agree with God about His goodness and your weakness. Confess any sin that hinders your walk.

Praise: Praise God for being abounding in love, glorious, and perfect.

Worship: Tell God how you long for the day He redeems us and shows us His full glory.

Thanksgiving: Give God thanks for His work in TBC and what He is planning and preparing.

Petition: Pray for wisdom to shape one another toward maturity.

Pray for the staff as they consider how to equip members and develop accountability.

Pray for the Spirit to use our team in Bucaramanga, Colombia, this week.

Pray for other needs within the family.

Intercession: Pray for those who are far from Him and in need of hope.

Pray for students at McNeese to hear the gospel and walk in faith.