

NO SLEEPING SENTRIES

—CHRISTUS VICTOR WEEK 27—

Colossians 4:2-6 (NIV)

I. _____ IN _____ :

² Devote yourselves to prayer,

being watchful

and thankful.

II. _____ IN _____ :

³ And pray for us, too,

that God may open a door for our message,

so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ,

for which I am in chains.

⁴ Pray that I may proclaim it clearly,

as I should.

III. _____ IN _____ :

⁵ Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders;

make the most of every opportunity.

⁶ Let your conversation be always full of grace,

seasoned with salt,

so that you may know how to answer everyone.

BOTTOM LINE

_____ to your _____ of warfare _____ and _____.

...by selecting at least one of these practices to start this week:

(1) Build into your day a period of watchful prayer, in which you seek God's help in watching for signs of spiritual attack.

Consider issues like:

- What sinful choices do I need to confess and renounce?
- What are the biggest spiritual dangers to me right now?
- How is Satan attacking me in this season of life?
- How am I doing in monitoring my thoughts and taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ?
- How is my general attitude?
- What lies is Satan wanting me to believe?
- What people in my life represent a spiritual danger to me?
- What in my life do I need to thank God for?
- Is there spiritual peace in my mind and heart? Why not?
- What does God probably want me to start doing or stop doing?
- Ask God to discipline and search you; and sit in mental silence waiting for anything he might bring to mind that he wants you to address.

(2) Select an individual who does not know Jesus and regularly pray that God will draw him/her; *or* select a Christian mission, ministry, or minister and regularly pray that God will empower that ministry.

I will pray for: _____

(3) Select one person outside the church that you have not been as good a friend to as you would like and come up with a plan to be more strategic.

I will try to be a better friend to: _____

I will do this by: _____