Text: Colossians 4:5

WALK IN WISDOM

(I) PRAYING FOR WISDOM

- 1. A necessary prayer
- 2. A wise thing to do
- 3. To be prayed for earnestly (Colossians 1:3)

(II) FEATURES OF A PRAYER FOR WISDOM

- 1. Prayer to have knowledge of God (Colossians 1:9)
- 2. Knowledge of God's will (Colossians 1:9)
- 3. Wisdom (Colossians 1:9)
- 4. Spiritual understanding (Colossians 1:9)
- 5. Increasing in the knowledge of God (Colossians 1:10)

(III) EXPRESSIONS OF WISDOM IN MINISTRY

- 1. Attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding (Colossians 2:2)
- 2. Knowledge of the mystery of God (Colossians 2:3)
 - a) The Father
 - b) Christ Jesus
- 3. In Christ is hidden (Colossians 2:3)
 - a) Treasures of wisdom
 - b) Treasures of knowledge

(IV) CHALLENGE TO WALK IN WISDOM

1. Walking in wisdom in the world (Colossians 4:5)

- a) Not caught up with the world
- b) Bearing witness in the world
- c) Making an impact

2. Making prayer an integral part of life (Colossians 4:2)

- a) Vigilant in prayer
- b) Thanksgiving
- c) Praying for people who serve the Lord
- 3. Redeeming the time (Colossians 4:5)
- 4. Speech always with grace (Colossians 4:6)