

“Proclaiming Jesus”

Colossians 1:24-29

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Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church ... (Colossians 1:24 English Standard Version)

Take Away #1:

Persecution and Suffering Will Never Stop the Spread of ***JESUS!***

of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

(Colossians 1:25-27 ESV)

Take Away #2:

God uses His CHURCH to communicate His ***love and mercy*** to the world.

Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

(Colossians 1:28-29 ESV)

Atheist: Penn Jillette (A Gift of a Bible)

“If you believe in a heaven and a hell, and that people are going to hell... how much do you have to hate somebody to not [tell them about Jesus]?”

BIG TAKE AWAY:

A life aimed at proclaiming Jesus is a life worth living and dying for.