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## Share the Christ (Word) in You – Range Niau, November 7, 2021

Colossians 1:25-27 NIV <sup>25</sup>I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— <sup>26</sup>the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord's people. <sup>27</sup>To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

### 1. Let the Word Grow in You

Colossians 3:16 NASB1995

Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

James 1:22 NIV Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

Matthew 22:37-40 NIV <sup>37</sup>Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." <sup>38</sup>This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup>And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' <sup>40</sup>All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Matthew 6:33 NIV But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 18:20 NIV "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Proverbs 27:17 NIV As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

### 2. Share Christ's Word with Others

Colossians 4:2-3 NASB1995 <sup>2</sup>Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with *an attitude of thanksgiving*; <sup>3</sup>praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned;

Psalms 34:8 NIV Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

John 15:7-8 NIV <sup>7</sup>If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. <sup>8</sup>This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

John 15:16 NIV You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

1 Peter 3:15 NIV But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

### 3. Give God the Glory

Colossians 3:17 NIV And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Psalms 115:1 NIV Not to us, Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.

### Closing Prayer

Philippians 1:9-11 NIV <sup>9</sup>And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, <sup>10</sup>so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup>filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.