**Sermon Notes**

**Above All: The Preeminence of Christ in the Book of Colossians**

**“See That You Fulfill the Ministry That You Have Received in the Lord”**

**Colossians: 7-18**

**Big Idea: In our text this morning - to the end that we are encouraged and spurred on as the people of God living new lives in Christ - we are going to see several real-life examples of ordinary and normal people who are living their new life in Christ faithfully and under the Lordship of Jesus.**

**The gospel of Jesus is the power to save and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people.**

**In order to be reconciled and brought back into relationship with God we must be made \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people.**

**There is no pre-requisite or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be saved by Jesus and to live a life for Him.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is known to be a beloved brother, faithful minister, and fellow servant.**

**Tychicus’s great task was to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (or beg and appeal to) the Colossians to heed these words of God through Paul.**

**Tychicus also served faithfully in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and seemingly insignificant tasks that he was given.**

**We may never know the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_we are making for the kingdom.**

**The new man and new woman must live knowing that God is in all of our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - nothing is too small or too big.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_was a Jewish man originally from Thessalonica who become a believer in Jesus. In light of this new faith, he too became a new man in the gospel.**

**Without the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and notoriety of Paul, Aristarchus chose to make the life of Paul’s his as well.**

**After \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was saved he did what people who have been changed by the gospel do - he went back home to Colossae and began to tell others about Jesus.**

**The word translated “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” in v12 is the same word used to describe Jesus’s agony in the Garden of Gethsemane on the night He was betrayed (Luke 22:44).**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_was a regular guy with a secular job when he met Jesus and got saved – and that changed the entire course of his life.**

**New identity in Jesus means that the believer leverages all that they are to make much of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**There is a need in the church and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ uses what she has to meet it.**

**The person of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a tragic and heartbreaking story and a tale of caution for every follower of Christ.**

**What is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ministry to the Lord to fulfill? What has God called me to?**

Blanks: change; new; requirement; Tychicus; encourage; small; impact; deeds; Aristarchus; fame; Epaphras; struggling; Luke; Jesus; Nympha; Demas; my