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October 20, 2019 Colossians 1:24-2:5 "Him We Proclaim"

## **QUESTIONS**

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

- 1. Tony said, "We proclaim a person! Not a formula, not a moral, religious system, but the Savior!" In your experience, have Christians done a good job proclaiming Christ to the world instead of merely a moral system? What is the proper relationship between teaching about Christ and teaching about the morals that Christianity produces?
- 2. Often when we suffer, we are tempted to turn inward and become self-centered. However, Paul says the opposite in verse 24, that our suffering is for the sake of the body. When suffering comes, how can we prevent ourselves, and one another, from becoming self-centered?
- 3. Tony traced the story of the Bible, showing its culmination in God dwelling with His people for eternity. How should our present view of intimacy with God be informed and affected by this eternal reality?
- 4. Paul says to proclaim, warn, teach, and apply wisdom to one another (1:28; 3:16-17). Which of these is this growth group naturally good at doing and which do we need to improve on? What are the dangers of overemphasizing some of these practices over the others?
- 5. Paul says that he struggles "with all his energy that he powerfully works within me." What are the dangers of working in our own strength? What are the benefits of working in Christ's strength?