

The Heart of Christian Ministry

Colossians 1:24-2:5

A. Ministers of the church strive to see you grow to completion. (1:24-29)

1. The perspective of a minister (1:24-25)

- *Who does Paul serve?*
- *Who gave Paul a mission?*
- *What was the Apostle Paul's specific mission?*

2. The value of church-age truth (1:26-27)

- *What is a New Testament mystery?*
- *Is this church-age truth valuable?*

3. The goal of proclaiming Christ (1:28-29)

- *Who is the focus of Paul's preaching?*
- *What is the goal of proclaiming Christ?*
- *Who is behind ministry that seeks the completion of believers?*

B. Ministers of the church long for your hearts to be encouraged. (2:1-5)

- How is Paul's core burden expressed? (2:1-2a)
- What good things come from this kind of heart? (2:2b-3)
- What good things cheered the heart of Paul? (2:4-5)

** How can I respond to Christian ministry?*

** Where will I find what is best for us?*