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Scriptural References and Comment Notes

11-047-51 MINISTRY WITH A PURPOSE (RSV)

- 1:50 Colossians 1:24-29 Reading.
- 3:00 Colossians 1:24 "rejoice in my sufferings." Teaching on suffering. Christians are not exempt from suffering. Reference Matthew 5:11-12 Suffering for Jesus. Reference John 16:33 In the world you will have tribulation. Reference Matthew 10:34-39; Luke 14:26-27 One of the costs of discipleship.
- 8:20 James 1:2-4 Be joyful in your trials because they perfect your maturity in Christ. Tribulation is a test of faith, not a test of will power. Satan wants trials to divert us from God. God wants trials to refine us and purify us.
- 9:50 Acts 5:40-41 The apostles rejoiced because they were allowed to suffer dishonor for the Name of Jesus.
- 11:30 Philippians 1:29 "For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake," Reference 2 Timothy 3:10-12 Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, Teaching on yielding to temptations.
- 13:50 Colossians 1:24 Teaching continues on suffering for the body of Christ. Paul invests himself for others.

- 16:30 Colossians 1:25 Paul sees his ministry as for the benefit of others. He knew he was sent. Teaching on Paul.
- 18:45 Galatians 1:13-17 Paul could see that God had called him, from before he was born, to preach to the Gentiles. Paul was not shackled by his former life he went out in ministry, with confidence, knowing the grace of the Lord. Teaching upon reflection, we often see good come from evil beginnings.
- 22:35 Romans 15:15-16 Paul knew that he wasn't an apostle because he deserved to be. He knew he was called through God's grace, for in himself he was totally unworthy.
- 26:30 Ephesians 3:7-11 Paul again speaks of God's grace as being the source of his calling and ministry. Reference 2 Timothy 1:11
- 28:10 Colossians 1:25 Paul says that his ministry was to make the word of God fully known. Teaching ministry, has with it, the responsibility to make the word/Word known.
- 29:45 Malachi 2:7 "For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and men should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts."
- 31:00 2 Chronicles 15:3 For a long time Israel was without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law; Teaching. Reference Matthew 28:19-20 People are to be taught from the word of God.

35:00 Colossians 1:28 Paul says that "Him we proclaim." Teaching. Reference 1 Corinthians 1:23-24 the message of Christ crucified. Reference 2 Corinthians 4:5 Jesus Christ as Lord.

Paul knew what he was about. He knew: God stood behind him; He had been fashioned from the womb; He had the power of the Spirit to accomplish anything the Father willed; He knew what the message was.

36:40 Colossians 1:28 Him we proclaim, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man mature in Christ.

Teaching on life transforming ministry. Ministry that follows new birth.

40:15 Colossians 1:29 For this I toil, striving with all the energy which he mightily inspires within me.

- Col. 1:24 Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, 25 of which I became a minister according to the divine office which was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, 26 the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now made manifest to his saints.

 27 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. 28 Him we proclaim, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man mature in Christ. 29 For this I toil, striving with all the energy which he mightily inspires within me.
- Matt. 5:11 "Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.
- John 16:33 I have said this to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."
- Matt. 10:34 "Do not think that I have come to bring peace on earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; 36 and a man's foes will be those of his own household. 37 He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; 38 and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. 39 He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it.
- <u>Luke 14:26</u> "If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. <u>27</u> Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple.
- <u>James 1:2</u> Count it all joy, my brethren, when you meet various trials, <u>3</u> for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. <u>4</u> And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

- Acts 5:40 So they took his advice, and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41 Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name.
- <u>Phil. 1:29</u> For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake,
- <u>2Tim. 3:10</u> Now you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, <u>11</u> my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. <u>12</u> Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted,
- <u>Col. 1:24</u> Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <u>25</u> of which I became a minister according to the divine office which was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known,
- Gal. 1:13 For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; 14 and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. 15 But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, 16 was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, 17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus.
- Rom. 15:15 But on some points I have written to you very boldly by way of reminder, because of the grace given me by God 16 to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.
- <u>Eph. 3:7</u> Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace which was given me by the working of his power. <u>8</u> To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 9 and to make all men see what is the plan

- of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; 10 that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places. 11 This was according to the eternal purpose which he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord,
- 2Tim. 1:11 For this gospel I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher,
- Col. 1:25 of which I became a minister according to the divine office which was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known,
- Mal. 2:7 For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and men should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.
- <u>2Chr. 15:3</u> For a long time Israel was without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law;
- Matt. 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."
- <u>Col. 1:28</u> Him we proclaim, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man mature in Christ.
- 1Cor. 1:23 but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
- <u>2Cor. 4:5</u> For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.
- <u>Col. 1:28</u> Him we proclaim, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man mature in Christ. <u>29</u> For this I toil, striving with all the energy which he mightily inspires within me.