

LINCOLN COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

SERMON OUTLINE

May 20th, 2018

Colossians 1:28-29

- **RECAP:** Last time we looked at the nature of “biblical theology.” Not simply the idea that all theology should be biblical but how the New and Old Testaments function together.
- **“Him we proclaim,”**
 - **Throughout this sermon, I will address this passage both to dealing with unbelievers, and also to believers. This is built into the fact that Paul says we preach to “everyone,” but yet also to make them “complete” in Christ.**
 - **Unbelievers:** Anyone who proclaims anything other than Christ’s salvation as their message is “Accursed,” as Paul says in **Galatians 1:8-9**.
 - This does not mean that we cannot proclaim other things that are ultimately furthering Christ. Paul reasoned and discussed intently the Scriptures. (**Acts 17:2, 17, 18:4, 19**) Be prepared to contend for the faith, as **Jude 3** says, and Peter in **1st Peter 3:15**.
 - **Believers:** If our interactions with other believers in Christ are not about proclaiming Him, that is, exemplifying Him to our believers, inspiring and urging others to be complete in Christ, than we are not contributing to this example we’re given here.
- **“warning everyone”**
 - **Unbelievers:** We don’t necessarily preach doom, Hell, and fire without grace, but the Gospel requires we convict the sinner or sin, and warn him of the consequences of sin if he does not repent.
 - **Believers:** Let us not be afraid to admonish, warn, and exhort one another! It’s not comfortable, but what is more important, comfortable relationships of the long-term betterment of souls in Christ?
- **“and teaching everyone”**
 - **Unbelievers:** Realize in your dealings with unbelievers that you will have to teach them something for them to understand the Gospel. Our society has honestly reached a point where your average individual has never heard of God being Holy, or just.
 - **Believers:** Let us continually teach each other and strive alongside each other to discover more and study more of the knowledge of God.
- **“with all wisdom,”**
 - So let us teach, and preach, and admonish, but do it wisely. We can’t escape doing it. But doing it selfishly, for your own ego or self-righteousness, or without wisely considering the person involved, is the same as no teaching or admonishment at all.
- **“that we may present everyone complete in Christ.”**
 - This is how we judge our wisdom: The end goal of our teachings and warnings and admonishments should be for this reason, to eventually bring everyone complete in Christ.
- **APPLICATION:**
 1. **let us proclaim our King both to the church, and to the unbeliever!**
 2. **Let us seek to warn and teach everyone of the holiness of God.**
 3. **Let us seek to do it wisely. Do it with the end goal of making all men complete in Christ.**