

God's Grace In US

Ephesians 6:19-20
Col 4:3,4

Proclaim!

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Bringing the Text to Light and Life

Prayer for Proclamation

- And Pray for Me...
 - Open door, open mouth, freedom in speaking and clarity in communication.
 - Proclamation: at the heart of Paul's calling and ours.
 - See [Acts 26:11-18](#)
 - [Mark 16:15](#); [Acts 1:8](#); [Matt 28:18-20](#)
 - Communication of the gospel with our lips, not just our lives.

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- For an Open Door & an Open Mouth
 - An open door
 - God sovereignly arranges the circumstances to create receptivity and leads us to it.
 - See Acts 14:27; I Cor 16:9; II Cor 2:12; Rev 7:7-8

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 - An open door
 - An open mouth
 - We must seize the opportunity and speak the words He gives us.
 - See [Rom 10:14-15](#); [Luke 12:11-12](#).

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- For Free and ‘Unmuddied’ Speaking
 - Freedom in speaking about Jesus
 - See [Acts 4:1-31](#)
 - Unrestrained and free
 - Forthright in the presence of others, without fear of consequences for going public.
 - Free from both internal & external constraints
 - Unashamed, confident and public!

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- For Free and ‘Unmuddied’ Speaking
 - Freedom in speaking about Jesus
 - Clarity in communication
 - Not slick, polished, clever or entertaining
 - Just letting the gospel be seen for what it is.
 - Don’t muddy the message. See [I Cor 2:1-5](#)
 - The message is opaque until God intervenes
See [I Cor 2:10,14](#).

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By Way of Application...

- An inner longing and urge to share
 - See [Acts 4:20](#) *We cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard...*
 - The gospel enables us to want to do what we ought to do!
- Focus on God's work and will, not just our own situation – others, not just ourselves.
 - A sure sign of the grace of God alive and well within us!