

Col 4:2-6 mws

v. 2

προσευχῇ

petition addressed to deity, prayer

to speak to or to make requests of God, to pray, to speak to God, to ask God for, prayer

προσκατερεῖτε

PAImp2pl

fr. προσκατερεω

to persist in something, busy oneself with, be busily engaged in, be devoted to, cf. Acts 1:14, 2:46, Rom 12:12

to continue to do something with intense effort, with the possible implication of despite difficulty, to devote oneself to, to keep on, to persist in

γρηγοροῦντες

PAPtcpMPN

fr. γρηγορεω

to be in constant readiness, be on the alert, 'be wide awake about it'

to be in continuous readiness and alertness to learn, to be alert, to be watchful, to be vigilant

εὐχαριστία

the expression or content of gratitude, the rendering of thanks, thanksgiving, 'with thanksgiving'

to express gratitude for benefits or blessings, to thank, thanksgiving, thankfulness

v. 3

προσευχόμενοι

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fr. προσευχομαι

to petition deity, pray

to speak to or to make requests of God, to pray, to speak to God, to ask God for, prayer

ἅμα

marker of simultaneous occurrence, at the same time, denoting the coincidence of two actions in time

a point of time which is emphatically simultaneous with another point of time, at the same time

ἀνοίξις

AAS3sg

fr. ἀνοιγω

to move something from a shut or closed position, open, used figuratively of preaching that wins attention, cf. Acts 14:27, 2 Cor 2:12, 1 Cor 16:9

an idiom, (literally to open a door), to make possible some opportunity, to make it possible, 'in order that God may make it possible for us to preach the word'

θύραν

door, fig. the opening of the door represents something made possible or feasible, cf 1 Cor 16:9, 2 Cor 2:12, Acts 14:27

idiom, see above

μυστήριον

the unmanifested or private counsel of God, (God's) secret, the secret thoughts, plans, and dispensations of God, which are hidden from human reason, as well as from all other comprehension below the divine level, and await either fulfillment or revelation to those for whom they are intended, a secret or mystery, too profound for human ingenuity, cf 1:26, 2:2

the content of that which has not been known before but which has been revealed to an in-group or restricted constituency, secret, mystery

δέδεμαι

PfPI1sg

fr. δεω

to confine a person or thing by various kinds of restraints, bind, tie, of binding and imprisoning persons, bind someone with chains

to confine someone in prison, to imprison, imprisonment, to put in jail

v. 4

φανερώσω

AAS1sg

fr. φανερωω

to cause to become known, disclose, show, make known, cf 2 Cor 11:6

to cause something to be fully known by revealing clearly and in some detail, to make known, to make plain, to reveal, to bring to the light, to disclose, revelation

δεῖ

to be something that should happen because of being fitting

to be something which should be done as the result of compulsion, whether internal (as a matter of duty) or external (law, custom, and circumstances) should, ought, to have to do

v. 5

σοφία

the capacity to understand and function accordingly, wisdom, wisdom that God imparts to those who are close to God, good judgment in the face of human and specifically Christian demands, practical wisdom, cf. Acts 6:3, Jms 1:5, 3:13, 17

the capacity to understand and, as a result, to act wisely, to be prudent, wisdom, 'act with wisdom toward those who are not believers'

περιπατεῖτε

PAImp2pl

fr. περιπατεω

to conduct one's life, comport oneself, behave, live as habit of conduct, modified by prepositional expression – The sphere in which one lives or ought to live, so as to be characterized by that sphere, cf. 3:7

to live or behave in a customary manner, with possible focus upon continuity of action, to live, to behave, to go about doing

ἔξω

pertaining to non-inclusion in a group, on the outside, as substantive – outsider, those who are outside, of non-Christians generally

a person who is not a member of a particular in-group, outsider

καιρὸν

a defined period for an event, definite, fixed time, festal seasons
occasion for particular event

ἐξαγοραζόμενοι PMPtcpMPN fr. ἐξαγοραζω

to gain something, especially advantage or opportunity, make the most of, the middle
appropriately expresses choice in perilous times, ‘make the most of the time or
opportunity in the sense ‘take advantage of any opportunity that comes your way’’

v. 6

πάντοτε

always, at all times
duration of time, with reference to a series of occasions, always, at all times, on every
occasion

χάριτι

a winning quality or attractiveness that invites a favorable reaction, graciousness,
attractiveness, charm, winsomeness, ‘let your conversation always be winsome’ cf. Lk
4:22
to show kindness to someone, with the implication of graciousness on the part of the one
showing such kindness, to show kindness, to manifest graciousness toward, kindness,
graciousness, grace

ἅλατι

salt, fig. of speech that is winsome or witty, ‘let your speech be seasoned with salt’

ἡρτυμένος PfPPtcpMSN fr. ἄρτυω

to add condiments to something, season, speech seasoned with salt to make it interesting
and fruitful
to add condiments to food, to season

εἰδέναι PfAInf fr. οἶδα

to know/understand how, can, be able
to comprehend the meaning of something, with focus upon the resulting knowledge, to
understand, to comprehend

πῶς

interrogative reference to manner or way, in what way? how?, in indirect questions after
verbs of knowing, cf. 2 Thes 3:7
an interrogative reference to means, how? by what means?

δεῖ

see above

ἀποκρίνεσθαι
answer, reply

PM/PdepInf

fr. ἀποκρινομαι

to introduce or continue a somewhat formal discourse, to speak, to declare, to say