

"The Audacious Apostle"

Colossians 1:24-29

I. Paul's Audacious Statement:

- A. "I fill up that which is lacking in Christ's afflictions"
- B. 2 Implications
 - 1. Something lacks in Christ
 - 2. Paul says that he is the answer

II. Fact Checking:

- A. Did Paul actually suffer?
- B. Were his sufferings beneficial to others?

III. Important Truths to note:

- A. Suffering that follows the Christ-like pattern is the assignment of the church!
- B. What was true of Christ must also be true of His people

IV. What Lacks in the Afflictions/Suffering of Christ?

- A. Was the suffering of the cross insufficient to save?
- B. What suffering remains?
 - The suffering that is necessary in order to take the Gospel to the world

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