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Let unbelievers insult us, let atheists mock us, let scientists scorn us, let liberals attack us with their books, let the Pope condemn us, let governments try to silence us. And giving voice to our persecuted brethren around the world, let radical Muslims burn our houses and slit our throats. We will still preach Christ crucified. They may silence us individually, but they will never silence Christ. They will never silence the gospel. The Bible promises it and history confirms it. Colossians 1:6 says:

The gospel has come to you just as in all the world also, it is constantly bearing fruit and increasing, even as it has been doing in you also since the day you heard of it and understood the grace of God in truth.

Proclaim Christ with confidence, knowing that He will use your witness to deliver others from the kingdom of darkness and into the kingdom of His glorious light.

Let's pray.

Father, what an awesome privilege is ours in Christ. We have our sins forgiven through His work on the cross. What a privilege is ours to know that a place in heaven is secured for us and that no one can erase our name from the Lamb's Book of Life. God, what awesome privileges you have bestowed upon us in our Savior. We thank you for that.

Father, we embrace the responsibility to take the saving gospel to people who do not yet know Christ. Help us to that end Father. We are weak, we are frail, we are trembling, our minds are thick and slow, and we are easily intimidated. Father, help us by your grace to take our eyes off of our own resources and to put them on the great sufficiency of the Scriptures, the great sufficiency of the Savior, and the great sufficiency of the gospel.

Father, once more we ask for every Christian in this room that you would give us the privilege of witnessing for Christ. Bring us unexpected opportunities even this week and give us the satisfaction of seeing you use us as instruments in the salvation of other souls. We know, Father, that will go to your glory and to their eternal good.

Father, continue to give power to your gospel that the name of Christ might be glorified and that sinners would come to a saving knowledge of Him. Help us that we would never be ashamed of the gospel. In Jesus' name, amen.

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