** Lesson 7:**

Agonizing for Others

*Colossians 2:1-5*

**Portray Concern for Others (vs. 1, 5a).**

* Demonstrate genuine care (v. 1).
  + For believers you know.
  + For believers you don’t know.
* Demonstrate genuine longing (v. 5).

**Promote Peace with Others (v. 2).**

* Peace comes from comforting community.
* Peace comes from unifying love.
* Peace comes from settled understanding.
* Peace comes from accepting truth.

**Proclaim Christ to Others (vs. 2b-3).**

* The Gospel’s mystery (“Christ in you”).
* The Gospel’s mastery (“of God, of the Father, of Christ”).
* The Gospel’s magnificence (“in whom are hid all treasures…”)

**Provoke Thought in Others (v. 4).**

* Focus on the true mystery.
* Fortify against the fixating messaging.

**Praise the Positives in Others (v. 5b).**

* Praise them with joy and accuracy.
* Promote the positives:
  + Their spiritual discipline.
  + Their steady faith.

*Christian, believe this:*

*Jesus is above all; Jesus is always enough.*

**Prayer**

**Scripture**: Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

**College Student of the Week**: Tessa Leffew

* Junior at BJU
* Searching for an internship
* Leading a discipleship group in her dorm

**Single Focus/Cross Impact Requests:**

* Cross Impact IUPUI
* Single Focus
* Purdue Cross Impact Efforts at Purdue & UIndy

**Specific Requests:**

* Dornbirers’ dad continued cancer journey
* John Barfield in Lebanon
* Jack and Kendall Elms in military training/service
* Henry’s unsaved friend Jeff
* Joseph LaPointe’s back and spirit
* Trevor’s need for a second job and community at Indiana State
* Xavion’s unsaved brothers
* Liam Donovan- Injury- no tear, but still needs to heal up
* Puckett family with Gail’s passing

**Announcements:**

* October 9- SNF- Elm’s Home (bring chips/snacky things)
* October 15- Harvest Party
* October 16- SNF- Leffew’s Home
* October 23- SNF- Elkin’s Home
* October 30- SNF- Coffman’s Home

