

Christ-Centered

a study of the letter to the Colossians / 1:24-29

Now I _____ ... (24)

What is "the secret" to rejoicing when we are servants of the Gospel (see 23d-g)?

The servant's "secret" to rejoicing (that is, lasting spiritual fulfillment) is ...

1. The secret of understanding the _____.

a. There is the ability to remain _____.

Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, (24a)

b. Because of the ability to remember the _____.

and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions,
for the sake of His body, which is the church. (24b-c)

2. The secret of understanding the _____.

a. This mystery was once _____.

I have become its servant by the commission God gave me
to present to you the Word of God in its fullness - (25)

the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations,
but is now disclosed to the Lord's people. (26)

b. This mystery is the guarantee of eternal _____.

To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles
the glorious riches of this mystery, which is *Christ in you,*
the hope of glory. (27)

3. The secret of understanding the _____.

a. The mission is to reach the all-important _____.

He is the One we proclaim,
admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom
so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. (28)

b. The mission is accomplished through Christ's _____.

To this end I strenuously contend
with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me. (29)

If we know "the secret", we too can ...

Rejoice _____, (1 Thessalonians 5:16)

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