

PERSONAL REFLECTION GUIDE

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- In **Colossians 4:2**, Paul tells us to be watchful and thankful in prayer. How can you remain watchful and hopeful in prayer?
- How would being watchful shape your prayer life?
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- Who in your life needs prayer right now? Commit to praying for him/her boldly.
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- What does Herod's death teach you about pride and giving glory to God? How can you give glory to God instead of seeking recognition?
- End your time by reading **Psalms 8** as worship to the Lord.
- Based on this passage or the sermon, what is one step of obedience the Holy Spirit is leading you towards this week. Who will you tell about this step, in order to help you?

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A few tips to get started: (1) Make this a phone-free conversation. You and your family put the phones away, except for the person who looks up the Scriptures. He/She would read the passage and then put his/her phone away. (2) Set the pace for how vulnerable to be. If you give a shallow answer, you are more likely to get a shallow answer from your kids. (3) Do not feel like you have to ask all of these questions. Just focus on having a good honest discussion.

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