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- <sup>24</sup> knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.
- <sup>25</sup> For he who does wrong will receive the consequences of the wrong which he has done, and that without partiality.
- **4:1** Masters, grant to your slaves justice and fairness, knowing that you too have a Master in heaven.
- <sup>2</sup> Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with *an attitude of* thanksgiving;
- <sup>3</sup> praying at the same time for us as well, that God may open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned;
- <sup>4</sup> in order that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak.
- <sup>5</sup> Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity.
- <sup>6</sup> Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned, *as it were*, with salt, so that you may know how you should respond to each person.