

## **THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS / The Supremacy of Christ – Week 2**

### **Last Week:** Introduction

- Author-Date-Audience-Occasion-Purpose
- 1:1-3 – The Salutation

### **This Week:** *Colossians 1:3-8* - Grateful Assurance

#### **I. A FORMAL THANKSGIVING (v. 3)**

#### **II. A FAMILIAR TRIAD (v. 4-5)**

#### **III. A FRUITFUL TRUTH (v. 5-6)**

#### **IV. A FAITHFUL TEACHER (v. 7-8)**

### ***CONCLUSION***

**NEXT WEEK: COLOSSIANS 1:9-12 – FROM THANKS TO PETITION**

**Friday – Observing the Text**

*Read Colossians 1:9-12 a few times*

1. What three things did Paul pray the Colossians be filled with?

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2. Identify the specific prayer requests Paul made in verse 10-11

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3. What has God done for us through Christ?

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**Monday - Interpreting Parts of the Text**

*Read Colossians 1:9-12*

4. Why did Paul begin this section “for this reason”?

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5. How are light and darkness contrasted in Paul’s prayer?

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6. Why in this passage is Paul intentional in his use of the term “knowledge” (*gnosis*)?

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**Wednesday – Applying the Text**

*Read Colossians 1:9-12*

7. How can knowledge be empty? Have you experienced this?

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8. How can you be filled with the knowledge of God’s will?

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9. As Paul expresses his prayer for the believers in Colossae...who are you reminded to pray for?

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