

Colossians

Week 3 – Chapter 1:19-1:29

Review Colossians 1:1-18

- Paul's thanksgiving and prayer for the Colossians
 - Thanks for their *Faith* in Christ and *Love* for the brethren and the *Hope* laid up for them in heaven
 - They heard the word of truth and believed it. The Word was working within them from the moment they believed
 - Paul prays that they be filled with the Knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that they may walk in a manner that's pleasing to God
 - Thankful for qualifying us to share in the inheritance of the saints

Review Colossians 1:1-18

- Superiority of Christ
 - He delivered us out of darkness
 - Transferred us to the kingdom of His Son
 - In Christ, we have redemption, through His blood
 - He is the image of God, firstborn over all creation
 - All things were created by Him and for Him
 - He is before all things and in Him all things hold together
 - He is the head of the church
 - He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead
 - So that, He would have first place in everything

Colossians 1:19-23

- Superiority of Christ
 - All the fullness, dwells in Christ (Col 2:9)
 - He reconciled all things to Himself
 - Made peace through His blood (Eph 2:13-16)
 - We have been reconciled through the death of Christ
 - Rom 6:3-11 – United with Him in the likeness of His death
 - Gal 2:20 – Crucified with Christ
 - We must continue in the faith
 - Firmly established (Eph 4:13-15)

Colossians 1:24-29

- Paul's joy in his sufferings and labors for Christ
 - Paul suffered for the brethren and the church (Col 1:28-29; Acts 9:15-16)
 - The Mystery...
 - Paul was made a minister to preach the mystery
 - That the Gentiles are fellow heirs of Christ (Eph 3:4-7)
 - Admonishing and teaching every man with all wisdom
 - To be complete in Christ (Col 2:10)