

# Colossians

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Naples Friday Morning Men's Bible Study

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## I. INTRODUCTION

## II. GREETINGS AND GRATITUDE (1:1-14)

## III. MESSIAH EXALTED (1:15-29)

1. How does Paul describe the Messiah? (v. 15)
2. What else does Paul say about the Messiah? (v. 16-17)
3. What role does Messiah serve for us as believers? (v. 18)
4. What is the Father doing through the Messiah? (v. 20)
5. What does the peace Messiah established through the blood look like?(v. 20; *Ephesians* 2:14)
6. What does Paul mean when he says "formerly"? (v. 21, *Ephesians* 2:11)
7. As members of what community will believing Colossians be presented to Him? (v. 22, *Ephesians* 5:27)
8. What was Paul "made a minister" of? (v. 23, *Ephesians* 3:1-7)
9. How does Paul describe the Messiah's body? (v. 24)
10. What is "the mystery ... hidden from the past ages and generations"? (v. 26, *Ephesians* 3:1-3)
11. What is "this mystery among the Gentiles"? (v. 27, *Ephesians* chapter 3)

## IV. WARNING AGAINST FALSE TEACHING (2:1-23)

### A. Greek Philosophy (2:1-10)

12. What comes from "full assurance of understanding" (knowledge of truth)? (v. 2)
13. What is "God's mystery"? (v. 2)
14. What is Paul's concern? (v. 4)
15. What should the Colossians do after they receive Messiah? (v. 6)
16. What should the Colossians be on guard against? (v. 8)
17. What does Paul say about the Messiah? (v. 9)

### A. Legalism (2:11-17)

### C. Mysticism (2:18-19)

### D. Asceticism (2:20-23)

## V. OUR CALLING IN MESSIAH (3:1-4:6)

### A. The Certainty of our Calling (3:1-4)