

“WE BELIEVE”

“NOURISHED ON THE WORDS OF FAITH AND SOUND DOCTRINE”

PART 7

“WE BELIEVE... IN JESUS CHRIST” (PART 1)

*“The Heart and Hope of Christianity: The Person and Work of Jesus Christ”
(Colossians 1:9-2:15)*

INTRODUCTION:

1A. THE _____ CONTEXT OF COLOSSIANS 1:9-2:15

1B. *The Person and Work of Jesus Christ is at the heart...*

...of Paul's _____ for our _____ in the gospel. (1:9-23)

“For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding...” (v. 9)

2B. *The Person and Work of Jesus Christ is at the heart...*

...of Paul's _____ for the _____ of the gospel. (1:24-27)

“Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake... Of this church I was made a minister according to the stewardship from God bestowed on me for your benefit, that I might fully carry out the preaching of the word of God, that is, the mystery which has been hidden from the past ages and generations; but has now been manifested to His saints, to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.”

3B. *The Person and Work of Jesus Christ is at the heart...*

...of Paul's _____ in his _____ of the gospel. (1:28-2:15)

“...and for this purpose also I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me. (1:29)

...that their hearts may be encouraged, having been knit together in love, and attaining to all the wealth that comes from the full assurance of understanding, resulting in a true knowledge of God's mystery, that is, Christ Himself, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.” (2:2-3)

2A. THE _____ CONTEXT OF COLOSSIANS 2:9-10

1B. The _____ of Christ's _____. (2:9)

"For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form,..."

1C. His _____: His _____ and _____

2C. His _____ & _____:

—The _____, the _____ & the _____

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, **so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.**"

—Colossians 1:15-18

• Personal and Corporate Declaration: He is _____!

2B. The _____ of Christ's _____. (2:10a)

"...and in Him you have been made complete,..."

1C. His _____:

2C. His _____:

"For He delivered us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, **in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**"

—Colossians 1:13, 14

• Personal and Corporate Declaration: He is _____!

3B. The _____ of Christ's _____. (2:10b)

"...and He is the head over all rule and authority."

1C. His _____:

2C. His _____:

• Personal and Corporate Declaration: He is _____!

CONCLUSION: