


1  **In the World,
But not
Of the World**

Colossians 1:5b-8

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Outline:

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6 Bearing fruit & increasing
7-8 Heard in person

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This Hope –

Romans 8:18-25
1 Corinthians 15:12-58
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

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Romans 8:23-25
And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we await for it with patience.

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Colossians 3:4-5
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1 Corinthians 15:19
If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

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Range of "truth"

Jewish – an assertion of a firm reliability, a message that can be relied upon

Greek – the unveiling of the full or real state of affairs

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Ephesians 2:12

... remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

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1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

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1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

You Turned
To Serve
To Wait

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v. 6
Bearing fruit and increasing...

- whole world
- it also does among you

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The power of the Gospel

Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

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v. 7-8

but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."