

Scriptures for further study

1 Corinthians 13:13 | Ephesians 2:10 | Ephesians 5:15

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Colossians 1:1-12

"Without a true and full view of the authentic Christ and His gospel, lifelessness and defection can easily replace loyalty and devotion."

- 1. What religious beliefs are most influential in our community? Why do you think people choose to believe these specific things about Jesus but not the entirety of who He is?
- 2. According to 1:1-8, what did Paul cite as evidence that the Colossians had responded positively to the gospel? How did the gospel radically change the Colossians?
- 3. If the Colossian church was demonstrating faith, hope, love and fruitfulness is increasing in gospel truth, then why did Paul feel compelled to pray for them without ceasing?
- 4. Based on these verses, what is the responsibility of each individual believer in the spiritual health of the church?
- 5. What does it mean to "walk [or live] worthy of the Lord" in verse 10?
- 6. Colossians 1:11-12 is considered Paul's second prayer for the church in Colossae. How have you experienced the promises Paul described in Colossians 1:10-12? Explain.