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HOW TO USE THIS JOURNAL



TEXT

Use this space to write out word for word the verses you have chosen to study broken down into clauses or phrases.



OBSERVE

What do you actually observe in the text? Answer the questions: Who, What, When, Where, How



INTERPRET

What do your observations MEAN? Record the definitions for 2 to 3 keywords per verse or other important phrases. Research using books, or software like Blue Letter Bibleto help you.



APPLY

Use these pages to make specific applications to your life. Does the text contain Sins to avoid, Promises to claim, Attitudes / Actions to adopt, Commands to obey, Examples to follow, or Truths to obey?



REFLECT

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PRAY

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Reference: Colossians 1:3-7
(3) We always thank God,
the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
when we pray for you,
for we have heard of your faith in Christ
Jesus and of the lave you have for all the
saints
because of the hope reserved for
you in heaven.
You have already heard about this hope
in the word of truth, the gospel
that has came to you.
It is bearing fruit and growing
all over the world,
just as it has among you since the
day you heard it and
came to truly appreciate God's
grace.
You learned this from Epaphras,
our dearly loved fellow servant.
He is a faithful minister of Christ
an yaur behalf,

NOTES

Always? How does one do that?

I wander how they heard? How did they show love to the saints?

What is "fruit" and haw do we know it is growing?

Who is Epaphrus?



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Who:

God, Jesus, Paul (writer), Colossians (hearers), Epaphras

What:

Paul is thanking God for them. He is praying for them. They are bearing fruit all over the world. They are taught by Epiphras.

When:

Unknown from the text. Research = Paul's first imprisonoment in Rome.

Where:

Colossae, Rome (Paul is writing from there)
-- Look this up in a Bible Atlas or maps
(Google, Blue Letter Bible, or Bible Hub)

How:

You will not always have an answer for every item!

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Laak these up in a Bible Atlas or maps, Gaagle, Blue Letter Bible, or other Bible Study Software





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V. 3 - Pray - Strong's:

proseúchamai, pros-yoo'-kham-ahee; to pray to God, i.e. supplicate, worship

<u>Vine's:</u> "to pray," is always used of "prayer" to God, and is the most frequent word in this respect,

V. 4 - **Saints** - Vine's: fundamentally signifies "separated" (among the Greeks, dedicated to the gods), and hence, in Scripture in its moral and spiritual significance, separated from sin and therefore consecrated to God, sacred.

V. 5 - **Hope** - <u>Strang's</u>: to anticipate, usually with pleasure); expectation (abstractly or cancretely) or confidence:—faith, hope **Gospel** - euangélion, yoo-ang-ghel'-ee-on; a good message, i.e. the gospel: Good news or good tidings.

NOTES

Note the use of
Vine's Expository
Dictionary of Old
and New Testament
Words in addition to
the Strong's
Exhaustive
Concordance.





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 NOTES



Scripture is meant to bring change in our lives, to make us more like Jesus. Use these pages to make specific application to your life.

S - Sins to Avoid **NOTES** Not in this text. Not every verse will have an answer to every question. It is P - Promises to Claim ok to leave it blank Not in this text or fill it in as noted here. A - Actions / Attitudes to Pursue Thankfulness for other saints, consistent prayer, Hopefulness, faithfulness C - Commands to Obey Note this wasn't Not really in this text, though one could extract explicitly a command to pray, be thankful, and bear fruit commanded in the text. E - Examples to Folllow Paul: praying and thankfulness. The Colossians: Faithfulness, fruit-bearing Epaphras: faithfulness and concern for others T - Truths to Accept Simple truths

God is the Father of Christ. Epaphras

was dearly loved and faithful.

learned directly

from the passage



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... God?

Though God wasn't directly addressed or spaken of, other than to be declared as the Father of Jesus Christ, we understand from this text that He apparently is ready to listen to the thankful prayers of the saints on behalf of others.

... you?

I realized while reading that my prayer life tends to be focused on ME, on my needs or things I am asking for. I need at spend more time being. Thankful to God for those both in my life and those I have heard about that are faithful, like Paul did with the Colossians.

... your relationship with Jesus?

Again, not just in prayer, but in action, my "walk" tends to be very
ME focused. Both Paul and Epaphras seemed to have more
concern for others, namely the Colossians, than they did for
themselves. That is convicting to me and a point of attention.





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Father,

Thank you for loving me and leaving your Word with me to study. Thank you for teaching me all your ways and giving me the strength to follow them.

Now, use the space below to write out a prayer of your own!

Father, thank you once again for meeting me and teaching me.
Thank you for the example Paul and Epaphras are in this short text regarding the faithfulness of the saints and praying with a thankful heart.

Thank you for the saints and people whom you've put in my path, like you did Epaphras for Colossae. Thank you for my parents, my wife, and my pastor. They are all such faithful warriors for the Kingdom. Help me today to spend less time looking for how I can do better, and help me to simply be thankful for the people and things you have already brought into my life to draw me closer to you.

Thank you for Jesus, thank you for Salvation.

In Jesus Name, Amen.





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What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men[a] who will be able to teach others also.

2 Timothy 2:2







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