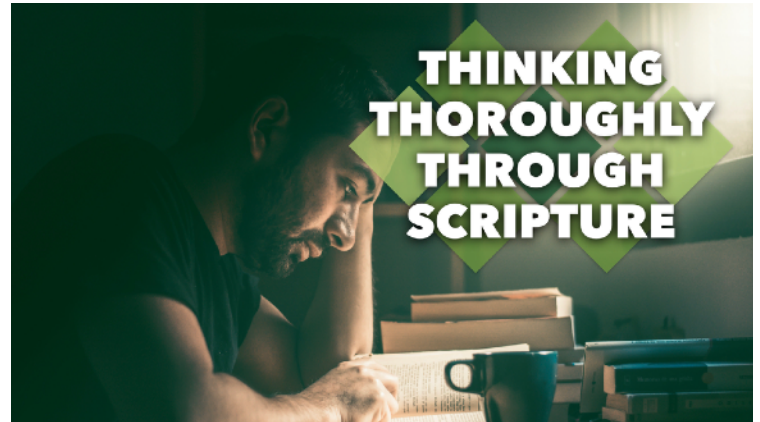




week three  
study

## bottom line

Better practices in our study add greater knowledge to our faith.



## corresponding teaching content

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Invite your group members to watch the corresponding teaching by Pastor Andrew on [LivingInhabit.com](https://LivingInhabit.com)'s Media page before you begin this week's discussion guide.

## group icebreaker

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What were your best and worst subjects in school?

## reading scripture together

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Read about *The Christian Life* — Colossians 3:12-4:1.

**play today's group intro video**

## suggested discussion questions

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### observe: after part one of today's video

- Read Colossians 3:12-4:1 again. This time, making notes of any parts that... **1)** Raise Questions; **2)** Seem Important; or **3)** Sum up a Main Point.
- *Take a moment to browse through verses before and after this passage to gain a better understanding of the immediate context.* Did this help to clarify or define any of the previous notes you made of questions or important points?
- TIP: Download the **Literal Word App** for quick and easy access to Hebrew & Greek word study. Tap and hold any word to learn about it and see where else it appears.

### interpret: after part two of today's video

- How does understanding the broader context of the book of Colossians, including who wrote it and who received it, help interpret what's happening in this passage?
- How does learning about the original culture provide insight into how to best interpret this passage? Especially, the parts addressed to Colossian Households?
- TIP: Other free resources to consult include commentaries, dictionaries and encyclopedias like:
  - **The Bible Project:** <https://bibleproject.com>
  - **Enduring Word Commentary:** <https://enduringword.com/#commentary>
  - **Bob Utley Commentary:** <http://www.freebiblecommentary.org>
  - **Bible Encyclopedia:** <https://www.biblestudytools.com/encyclopedias/isbe/>

### apply: after part three of today's video

- These questions can be discussed in a group but they are also great for regular personal reflection and journaling with the Lord:
  - What is the Lord communicating to me through this passage today?
  - What can I say to the Lord in response to His word to me?
  - To what change of heart, mind or life is the Lord calling me?
  - How will this work it's way out in love toward others?