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Colossians is a letter written from Paul (*and Timothy*) while in prison at Rome to a young church in a city in Asia Minor called Colosse near another church in a neighboring city called Laodicea. It appears that the church at Colosse met in the home of a \_\_\_\_\_ brother named Philemon (Phm. 1-6). Paul had never been to this church yet knew many of the people and heard many good things about them. Today, Paul greets them and shares his gratefulness for their many favorable qualities and attributes (2 Cor. 1:19-21).

## GREETINGS AND GRATEFULNESS – Colossians 1:1-8

### 1. Greetings

- From Paul \_\_\_\_ Timothy...discipler and disciple in prison – v. 1; Acts 16:1-3; 1 Tim. 1:2; Heb. 13:23.  
*Timothy eventually becomes the first pastor of the church at \_\_\_\_\_ – 2 Tim. 4:22*
- Grace and peace from God to the saints \_\_\_\_ faithful brethren there – v. 2, 7-8; 4:12-13; Phm.3.

### 2. Gratefulness

- Continual \_\_\_\_\_ of gratefulness for this church – v. 3; Eph. 6:18; Rom. 12:12; Jde.1:20; Lk. 22:32.
- For their \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ Jesus – v. 4a; 2:5; Matt. 17:20-21; Heb. 11:1-12:1.
- For their \_\_\_\_\_ towards all the saints of God – v. 4b; Jn. 13:34-35; 1 Pet. 1:22, 3:8; 1 Jn. 4:10-11.
- For the \_\_\_\_\_ **laid up** for them in Heaven through Christ – v. 5-6; Eph. 2:6; Php. 3:20; Heb. 6:18-20.
- For the \_\_\_\_\_ that was growing **in them** – v. 6; Matt. 13:22-23, 21:19; Gal. 5:22-23; 2 Pet. 3:18.

*love =*

*joy =*

*peace =*

*longsuffering =*

*gentleness =*

*goodness =*

*faith =*

*meekness =*

*temperance =*

