

# Paul's letter to The Colossians

Kinship Study Aug - Sep 2025

## KINSHIP STUDY OF PAUL LETTER TO THE COLOSSIANS

Week One                    **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

### **Colossians 1:1 - 14**

The Fruit of the Gospel

I have attached some background notes. I hope you find these helpful.

Each week we will have seven questions to guide our thoughts. You might well have lots of other question and aspects to draw our attention to.

### **SEVEN QUESTIONS**

Read through the whole passage first!

1. Paul starts off with a wonderfully positive reflection on how well the young church in Colossae is doing.

What is it that Paul sees in the lives of the believers?

2. This picture of positive fruit and growth might seem a long way from where we are today. Why is this? Is it because the Colossians church was very young and so could be easily seen to have changed? .... Or because we today have lost some of the vibrancy they were displaying?

3. To what extent would you say the fruit of 'the word of truth, the gospel, is evident in your own life?'

Verses 9 to 12 are in the form of a prayer for this church in Colossae

4. What does Paul pray for?

5. Verse 9 refers to our 'knowledge of the will of God'. What does this mean? How does this influence our daily living?
6. Verses 13 & 14 declare the certainty that these changes that Paul is praying for are realistic because of the activity of God. What has God done? What has changed?
7. Read through the passage again. What words or ideas or truth stand out for you as really important for our spiritual lives today?

Monday evenings on Zoom @ 19.00 hrs

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Thursday evenings in Balduff House @ 19.00 hrs