

Colossians 1 King James Version (KJV)

(Circa: 59-62 AD – Written by Paul while he was in prison, in Rome. His crime was teaching God's Word. He didn't commit any crimes against Caesar. Paul had never been to Colossi)

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus our brother, (apostle = a sent one) (Timothy was a student of Paul's)

2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colossi: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (saints - the Elect) (This letter was sent to the Elect and to the Christians that had been converted by Timothy and others)

3 We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, (Thanking God for bringing these people the salvation of God)

4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints, (The love goes out to those who love and follow our Lord Jesus Christ)

5 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; (God's promise to us is of eternal life waiting for us in Paradise. When we choose to become a child of God, we inherit His promises) 1Peter-1:4

6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth: (The fruit here are the people who join Christianity and grow the body of Christ <the Christian church> in the world)

(Jesus said – "I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life") John-8:12

7 As ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellowservant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ; (It is believed that Epaphras started the church there, in Colossi. Paul had never been there)

⁸ Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. (Your love for God – His Holy Spirit)

⁹ For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; (To learn God's Word is to understand His plan for us and for the world)

Proverbs-1:7 (The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction)

(Fear = reverence; revere God if you love Him, fear if you hate Him; It's the same word in the Hebrew)

¹⁰ That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; (When God gives you knowledge, share it with others. That is what God calls producing fruit – to bring other people into God's light and salvation)

¹¹ Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; (Patience in learning brings knowledge, which gives strength to our faith) see 2Peter-3:6-7

(We must have patience – to let God's plan unfold in its due time. HE works on His time schedule, not on ours)

¹² Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: (Thank God for His grace, wisdom and salvation. That is the light that Jesus spoke of. That is our inheritance, if we choose to accept it)

¹³ Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: (Dear son = His begotten, in the flesh – better translation. God came into the world as a flesh man, through Mary)

(The darkness of the world is Satan, sins, confusion; and if we don't change, spiritual death – death of our soul) see Revelation-20:14

Isaiah-7:14 (Immanuel = God with us)

NOTES: (Jesus is Immanuel – God with us. Not a son as we understand our son, or daughter. Jesus IS God; not a different person; not a different God. The “trinity” was invented by the early church. Jesus called Himself the Son of man <flesh>. Men called Him the Son of God)

(There is one God; He has many offices – Father <the Creator>, begotten<the Savior>, Holy Spirit <the Comforter>, Melchizedek <the man who walked with Abraham>, the Angel of God <God in angelic form>, etc)

¹⁴ In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: (Jesus fulfilled the blood ordinances of the Old Testament by becoming the perfect sacrifice for all time)

(HE was blameless, without blemish <no sins> just like the lamb that was chosen to be the Passover sacrifice in the Old Testament) see 2Peter-3:14, 2Corinthians-5:21

NOTE: (When we take communion, we are having a sacrificial meal with God; just as people had a sacrificial meal with the priests in the Old Testament at Passover. Communion is symbolic for having that meal with God)

¹⁵ Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: (Let us make man in our image. God created the office of Jesus Christ so that He could walk with us in the flesh) Genesis-1:26-28

(Jesus said - If you've seen me, you've seen the Father) John-14:9

Also: see John-1:1 (Jesus is that living Word. Learn it, live it, and be blessed)

¹⁶ For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: (God created the universe. HE owns all things) Revelation-4:11

¹⁷ And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. **1Peter-3:18-20, 1Peter-4:6, Ecclesiastes 12:6-14**

(God said – I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, which was, and which is to come, the Almighty) **Revelation-1:8**

¹⁹ For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; **(Jesus IS God in the flesh. God came into the flesh to walk with us as a teacher and as an example of how we should live; in order to receive eternal life on judgment day)**

²⁰ And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. **(Jesus fulfilled the blood ordinances of the Old Testament <the sacrificing of animals for repentance> by becoming the Passover Lamb as a sacrifice for all men, for all time)**

1Peter-3:18-19 (After His crucifixion, Jesus went to the “wrong” side of the gulf. There He preached to the souls that hadn’t made the cut. HE gave the ones who accepted Him and repented redemption. They received His salvation. Afterwards <3 days later> He resurrected and walked with the Apostles for 40 days until He ascended into heaven)

(God is fair to all people. Those people had died before Jesus arrived)

²¹ And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled **(All who repent are forgiven. Your past sins are erased from the Book of Life)**

²² In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprovable in his sight: **(Upon repentance, you have a new start. Change your sinful ways. Move on. Live righteously and serve God)**

²³ If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister; **(Learn the Word of God and live it. Don’t listen to**

any so-called preacher with a “new doctrine”. The teachings of Jesus will never change or “evolve”)

²⁴ Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church: (Paul was in prison in Rome at this time)

NOTE: (The church here, is the Christian church of Jesus Christ; not one of the modern day denominations that teach traditions of men. A true Christian church teaches God's Word chapter by chapter, verse by verse – complete and properly translated from the Hebrew and Greek manuscripts)

²⁵ Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God; (Not traditions of men. A minister who preaches a sermon written in his imagination is not teaching God's Word. He is useless in the eyes of God)

²⁶ Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

2Peter-3:1-14, Revelation-2:9 & 3:8 (You cannot understand God's plan if you don't know that there are 3 Ages; or if you don't know who the Kenites are)

(The First Age was destroyed by water <not Noah's flood>. This Second Age will be destroyed by fire. The Third Age is the Eternity)

Mathew-13:35-40 (The parable of the tares. The tares are the Kenites – the sons of Cain – the son of Satan and Eve)

Genesis-3:13-19 (Adam and Eve had sexual relations with Satan. Abel was the son of Adam and Eve. Cain was the son of Satan and Eve. Cain and Abel were fraternal twins – same mother, different fathers)

John-8:44 (The first murderer was Cain – the son of the Devil)

²⁷ To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: (Jesus said – “Behold. I have foretold you all things”) see Mark-13:23

²⁸ Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:
(perfect= mature – better translation)

(The duty of a preacher is to teach the Word of God – completely and unchanged; so that his parishioners will know the true Messiah from the fake <antichrist>, when he arrives at the 6th Trump. Jesus will return at the 7th Trump)

²⁹ Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily. (Paul preached God's Word; not his own sermons. If your church preaches sermons written by some pastor, you are wasting your time there)