Colossians Series Week 2 outline 3.4.18

Christ our Foundation Colossians 1:9-19

Communion: Christ our rescuer and redeemer

Key Verses: Col 1:12-14

Forgiveness

Forgiveness -Redemption -

Two Kingdoms at war

Domain of darkness -Kingdom of Jesus -

Our Inheritance

Qualified -Inheritance of the Saints in Light

Christ our Foundation

Key Verses: Col 1: 9-11

Paul's prayer - that we would be filled with the knowledge of His will...

Isaiah 55:8-9 - "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,"

<u>Pleasing God</u>- We can't do v.10 and 11 unless we do v.9 first... unless we abide in Jesus. Being "Rooted" means abiding in Jesus and letting life flow from Him.

<u>John 15: 4-5</u> - "abide in Me and I in you.... apart from Me you can do nothing" The Alternative to abiding is striving, which leads to death.

<u>Matthew 6:33</u> - But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Christ is ALL

Key Verses: Col 1:15-19

How do we know God?

Look at Jesus, Jesus Is not "like" God, He IS God!

Jesus Created All

people in Colossae were struggling with outside ideas infecting the gospel. Especially the idea that Jesus couldn't be human and God because matter was evil and spirit was good and they couldn't mix.

Discerning the Authentic vs. Counterfeit

Jesus is the Glue that holds the world together

What has Paul said about Jesus thus far?

- In him we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
- He is the image of the invisible God.
- He is the firstborn of all creation that is, the specially honored, first and only Son over all creation.
- By him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities. (We will come back to verse 16.)
- All things were created through him.
- All things were created for him.
- He is before all things.
- In him all things hold together.
- He is the head of the body, the church.
- He is the beginning.
- He is the firstborn from the dead.
- In everything he is preeminent.
- In him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.
- He reconciles all things to himself, whether on earth or in heaven.

For the next 70 days... Lets make a new habit!

4 suggestions to allow Christ to be your foundation.

- 1. Seek the Lord every day, carve out time to read his word, pray, listen, and worship
- 2. Identify your road blocks to your relationship with Jesus and remove one of them.
- 3. Team up, get a friend or family member to talk to about your pursuit of Jesus.
- 4. Pick one thing that you have been attempting, trying, or striving for in your own strength and release it to Jesus for Him to do with what He will.