BIBLE STUDY/DISCUSSION GUIDE

Colossians Chapter 1 Questions

Start by reading the introduction to chapter one of Colossians. If I were to say to you "that's the truth", what would you write below that would be "the truth" (or "the truths") in your life?

Read Colossians 1:1-8 and the study note for Colossians 1:3-6. Paul listed four areas that, as a believer, we should be thankful. List those below:

How often do you trust God in each of these four areas?

Now read Colossians 1:9-15 and the study note for Colossians 1:9-14. Paul lists ten key points that God gives each of us as believers. List those here:

How often do you show others these ten key points so others can see God through you?

Read Colossians 1:16-23 According to the study note for Colossians 1:20 what is it that the death of Jesus brought each of us?

Does this make sense to you? Why or why not?

Read Colossians 1:24-29 and the study note for Colossians 1:28-29. At the beginning of the chapter, we found that Paul wrote this letter based on the truth and being truthful. At the end of the chapter Paul talks about his every day walk with others in this world. Do you live, work, play, go to school, participate in your community, shop, etc. in such a way that others can see God through you?

If so, share some examples of this, and how can (or do) give God the credit:

Colossians Chapter 2 Questions

Start by reading the introduction to chapter two of Colossians.

Read Colossians 2:1-7and the study note for Colossians 2:1. In your life, who have you "struggled" for and why?

According to the study note for Colossians 2:3-7, what is the best way to help non-believers when they have questions, struggles, or issues in this world?

How and when do you spend time in God's Word so that you know it and can share it with others? Give a specific example or examples:

Read Colossians 2:8-14 and the study note for Colossians 2:14. Share how and where you can set up your cross and why it would help you grow in both your reading of the Bible and your prayer life:

Read Colossians 2:15-23 and the study note on Colossians 2:16-18. How do you feel this world tries to pull you away from God?

What are other examples you see or hear every day that point others to the world and away from God?

Read the study note for Colossians 2:23. The final verse is a check of your heart. List examples of God in your life that shows and shares the joy and peace that can only come through God, if any:

Colossians Chapter 3 Questions

Start by reading the introduction to Colossians chapter three. What are the final two chapters of this letter about according to the introduction?

What does "Christianity" mean to you:

Read Colossians 3:1-8 and the study notes for Colossians 3:1-2 and Colossians 3:5. What are some things that you seek from this world?

What are some things you wish you would seek more of from God?

Read Colossians 3:9-14 and the study notes for Colossians 3:9 and Colossians 3:12-15. What do you put on (or wear) every day?

Paul makes a list of what we should put on through God in verse 12. Write those in the space below:

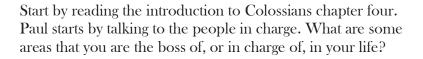
From the list that you just wrote, which of these would you say you do well at with others, and which do you feel you could improve on to show God to others and love and help them?

Read Colossians 3:16-23 and the study notes .



From the study note on Colossians 3:23, where in your life do you feel God is most present? Where do you feel you need to allow God to be more present in your life?

Colossians Chapter 4 Questions



Next read Colossians 4:1-9 and the study note for Colossians 4:1. Share areas in your life where you can see God giving to you:

Read the study note for Colossians 4:5. What are some times each day that you give everything you have to God?

Share some examples from your day that you waste time:

Read the study note for Colossians 4:9. Who would you consider a faithful friend that you have, one so close that you would consider to be like family to you (this could be someone who is actually in your family!)?

Read Colossians 4:10-18 and the study note from Colossians 4:16. It is very easy to get "lukewarm" when it comes to our walk of faith. We all wish we could be "on fire" for God every day, but it is difficult. Share a time or times that you were barely getting by when it came to your walk with God. These could be times that you were lazy, didn't care, or just didn't feel like showing God to others:

What did, or could, you do to make sure you no longer have those lukewarm moments in your life? What is the example that Paul gave at the beginning of verse 16 in Colossians four that could also help you stay on fire for God every day?