



the book of
COLOSSIANS

CLASS 2: COL. 1:1F

The Letter To The Church At Colossae



- Written in 62 ad about the same time as Ephesians and Philemon
- Paul wrote it from his imprisonment
- Paul didn't know these folks personally (Col. 2:1)
- Paul learned of their issues from Epaphras (Col. 1:7, 4:12)

THE BOOK IS ABOUT CHRIST

Which means - Christ is the answer
to the false teaching in Colossae.

- BEING TAUGHT TO FOLLOW TRADITIONS
INSTEAD OF TRUTH

- IMPOSED RULES THAT WERE OVERLY-RIGID

- FOLLOWING TEACHERS BECAUSE OF
APPEARANCE OF PIETY AND FAITHFUL

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“not ashamed of
the gospel”
(Rom 1:17)

“go into all the
world and preach”
(Mark 16:15)

“any other
gospel...”
(Gal 1:8)

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so shall my word be
that goes out from
my mouth;
it shall not return
to me empty,
but it shall
accomplish that
which I purpose,
and shall succeed
in the thing for
which I sent it.

(Isa 55:11)

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When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path.
(Matt 13:19)

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**Probably due to
Paul's time in
Ephesus
(see Acts 19:8-10)**

JESUS IS:

1. OUR REDEEMER
2. THE IMAGE OF GOD
3. THE FIRSTBORN OF ALL CREATION
 - a) CREATOR OF VISIBLE
 - b) CREATOR OF INVISIBLE
 - c) ALL THINGS CREATED FOR HIM
 - d) BEFORE ALL THINGS
 - e) ALL THINGS CONSIST IN HIM
4. HEAD OF THE CHURCH
 - a) FIRSTBORN FROM THE DEAD

**“THAT IN ALL THINGS HE MIGHT
HAVE THE PRE-EMINENCE”**